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Jack the lad Nicholas Wapshott introduces the real Jack Nicholson (below)



In sickness Nicholas Timmins reports on the cloud hanging over the health

Up for the Cup Preview of the European cup football matches Gold canter

Trevor Fishlock in Calgary where the gold rush has slowed to a

#### Freedom offer to Mandela

Mr Nelson Mandela, the ANC leader serving a life sentence in South Africa, has been offered his freedom if he agrees to live in Transkei, according to family friends. His wife is expected to put the offer when she visits him this week in Pollsmoor Prison near Cape Town Page 5

#### Ship inquiry

A French warship said help was not needed as it attended a sinking freighter in the English Channel, but 16 seamen drowned, an inquiry was told

#### Mondale test

Mr. Walter Mondale, humiliated by Senator Gerry Hart in New Hampshire and Maine, today faces a third test in the Vermont

#### 'Thin Man' dies

William Powell, the film star of the 1930s and 1940s, who played the wise-cracking detec-tive in the Thin Man series, has died in California, aged 91 Obiteary, page 16

#### SDP rethink

The Social Democrats may change their minds for choosing by-election candidates to make

#### Perfect launch

The European space rocket Ariane made a perfect launch to put the world's biggest telecom-munications satellite into orbit

#### Gulf bids

Trading in Gulf Oil's stock was suspended in New York as the hoard met to consider possible hids worth as much uch as Page 32

#### Sales fall

Retail sales dropped by 3 per cent in January, giving shops their worst month since last

#### **Boats** collide

Dhaka (AP) - Fifty people were teared dead in a collision between a cargo boat and a passenger launch carrying more than 300 people at Naotola near Keshoreganj, about 125 miles east of Dhaka.

#### Toshack goes

John Toshack, the Swansea City manager, has left the club for the second time this season. He was dismissed yesterday after refusing to resign

Leader page, 15 Letters: On smallholdings, from Mr J. T. Kellett, and Mr Ian Coutts; deterrence, from Canon P. B. Hinchliff. Open University, from Professor C. Harrie Leading articles: Divorce; Housing Bill; Britain's space

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# 56,000 miners to strike over closure of pits

Rotherham

• A manager was injured by a stone, thrown from a picket line at Yorkshire Main Colliery during an attempt to relieve a maintenance crew

● Yorkshire's 56,000 miners have been called out on strike from Monday to protest at the closure of two pits near Barnsley and Mineworkers' executive today to appeal for an end to their overtime ban.

 A select committee has crificized the board and Department of Energy for their reaction to a growth in claims for subsidence damage to buildings, page 2

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent

idle yesterday mainly in Yorkshire, after union leaders called an all-out strike from Monday to protest at pit closures. The dispute could spread to other

At the centre of a series of walkouts and lay-offs was a dispute at Yorkshire Main Colliery, near Doncaster, where were thrown at a management team trying to relieve a maintenance crew which had been down the pit for several hours. After the pickets refused to lift their blockade, the National Coal Board said it had abandoned the pit.
The mine, where 1,400 men

work, is prone to spontaneous combustion and could flood quickly unless maintenance crews are allowed back to operate underground fans. The NCB said last night that the pit's future was in serious danger, as were the miners'

jobs.
The worsening of industrial relations came on the eve of today's meeting between the unions and Mr Ian MacGregor, coal board chairman, when the board is expected to call for further reductions in capacity leading to more pit closures.

Afterwards Mr MacGregor is to meet the National Union of Mineworkers' executive when he will call for an end to their four-month overtime ban, which he said yesterday was "seriously jeopardizing" the industry's future. The coal board said York-

shire Main's deputy engineer was hit in the face yesterday morning by a stone thrown from the picket line. He needed

informer

from jail

By Stewart Tendler

The security guard jailed last month for his role in the £26m

Brinks-Mat robbery in November has been moved secretly from just to police custody with a 24-hour armed

guard while he waits to give

Anthony Black, aged 31, of

Ashford, Kent, was sentenced at

the Central Criminal Court to

six years after the judge was told he had confessed to helping the

robbers and had turned in-

The court was told that Black

could be attacked and Commander Frank Cater, head of

the Flying Squad, said he preferred him to be placed in

Black was taken to jail and is

believed to have remained there

The police and the Home Office are believed to have

conferred over arrangements for

Black, and vesterday Mr Cater confirmed: "We have got hin in

our custody and that is really all

In the past informers have

been held in London police

stations under fairly relaxed internal regimes, and the Flying

squad is equipped for dealing

with a prisoner as much at risk

From Robert Fisk

Beirut

Israel's last hopes of any

tangible benefits from its 1982

invasion of Lebanon were finally crushed yesterday when

President Amin Gemayel tore

op his country's unofficial peace treaty with Tel Aviv.

His statement issued offi-

cially after an extraordinary

meeting of the virtually defunct

Lebanese Cabinet, said that the

unratified May 17th military

withdrawal agreement with Israel would benceforth be

considered "null and void", an

announcement that immedi-

ately incurred the bitter con-

demnation of the Israelis

Mr Gemayel's decision, which will probably be conse-crated at a second Lebanese

reconciliation conference in

Geneva as early as next week,

was widely expected after his visit to President Assad of

staged two separate air raids against Druze-held mountain

towns outside Beirut during the

day, bitterly denounced the abrogation of the treaty and

But the Israelis, whose jets

Syria last Wednesday.

there is to say about it."

Ducen's Evidence.

police custody.

for some time.

as Black.

After sentence,

About 29,000 miners were attending a Coal Industry Yorkshire and has at least five the yesterday mainly in York-Society lunch in London, said years life left. outbreaks of violence in the industry were "rather sad because they indicate there are problems within the union that are not being dealt with by the people who run the union. He insisted that the 5.2 per

cent pay offer would not be increased and suggested that the NUM should ballot members on the offer, there was serious damage being done to the industry and miners had lost almost £70m in wages from the ban he said.

Mr MacGregor intends to threaten to withdraw backdat-ing of the 5.2 per cent offer to November in the hope of persuading moderates on the executive to push for an early ballot, but there are few indications that this strategy will succeed.

Lancashire officials will press for a tightening up or increase of the action because of the prospect of the closure of two pits in the area. Yorkshire miners will argue that their strike on Monday should be made official when the executive meets in Sheffield on Thursday.

The Yorkshire area council decided to call out all 56,000 miners over the closure in April of Cortonwood Colliery, near Rotherham and Bullcliffe Wood pit, near Barnsley. Mr Jack Taylor, area president, said they would call for other coalfields to join the strike and appeal to other unions for support.
We intend to stop them

butchering our industry and our jobs. Cortonwood is being rec stitches. closed on economic grounds, Mr MacGregor, who was but his the best coal in south

Police move 1,000 new computer

From Ronald Faux.

Glasgow

American company National

semiconductor that will create

1,000 new jobs at the electronic

company's factory in Greenock

Welcoming the news, Mr

George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, said the

development was the largest

single electronic investment to come to Scotland. It would

make the Greenock plant one of

advanced semiconductor manu-

The announcement was also

President Gemayel: bowed

accused Syria of using violence

to bring Lebanon to its

In Damascus, an exuberant

President Assad telephoned

President Gemayel to congratu-

late him om what he described

as "a victory for the Lebanese

and Syrian people". Syria, Mr Assad said, had "deep bro-therly ties" with Lebanon and

would always stand by the

country's sovreignty and unity.

But within the Lebanese

Christian Maronite community

to Syrian demands

facturers in the world.

was announced vesterday.

jobs for Scotland

the largest, most technologically equalling the size of the IBM

welcomed in the town of The project confirms Scot-Greenock, where more than land's position as a "silicon 3.000 jobs are at risk at the glen" of microcomputing, with troubled Scott Lithgow shipyard some 300 firms established in

troubled Scott Lithgow shipyard some 300 firms established in on the lower Clyde. National the electronics sector alone. It is

Semiconductor said the devel- estimated that more than half of

opment would make Greenock America's leading 20-electronics

the world's first "meaningful" companies now have manufac-

five-inch and six-inch semicon-ductor walers, the raw material cluded Wang (a £40m project), NEC (a £40m factory), IBM (a

director of the company's tablished Scottish operations), British operation, told a press SCI Systems of Alabama (which

conference in Glasgow that the is to set up in the next year and

investment was being made in provide components to the lasting technology that would be computer industry); and the

used for the next generation of Japanese company. Shin-Etse, the company's products. which a fortnight ago an-

The investment will increase nounced plans for a £30m

the company's work force at factory to manufacture pure Greenock to 2,500 by 1987, silicon in Scotland.

years life left. We have always said that if they close a Yorkshire pit on economic grounds, we will take action," Mr Taylor said.

About 20,000 miners were idle in Yorkshire yesterday, with 9,000 on strike; 4,000 laids off because of the closures; 4,000 laid off because of the strike and 6,500 not able to work because of the national overtime ban's effects.

Nationally, a further 9,000 miners were unable to work as essential maintenance work which could not be done over the weekend, was carried out, Mr MacGregor said that the ban was having little effect on coal stocks at power stations but was persuading other customers to look abroad for supplies. He said that the industry

would need a deficit grant from the Government of £600m at the end of this month and could not afford an increased offer.

Today's meeting of the Joint Policy Advisory Committee is being held in the hope of finding sufficient agreement between the three unions and the board to allow a joint approach to the Government. Mr MacGregor is expected to say that a reduction in capacity of about four million tounes would have to be pushed through in the next year.

It is thought unlikely that Mr MacGregor will threaten to cancel backdating of the offer today. But there is little doubt that his message will be gloomy.

Mr Scargill will maintain that further contraction of the industry proves his childs that Continue to prove the childs that

George

factory by 1989.

Welcomed investment

plant in the town, and tripling

present production at the

last night there appeared to be

serious divisions, with the

Mr Gemayel's decision while

the military leadership angrily condemned it and rejected any

Syrian-sponsored initiatives in

Lebanon. The latter may even

include a Syrian-arranged cea-

sefire that came into effect in

The Israelis invaded Leba-

non ostensibly to fight Palesti-nian guerrillas in the south of

the country, but they are now

locked into an apparently hopeless guerrilla war in

southern Lebanon, not against

Palestinians but against hostile

chanese Shia Muslim guer-

rillas. President Gemayel promised yesterday that his Government would "ensure

sovereignty, security and stab-

ility in southern Lebanon,

prevent infiltration across the

southern border, and bring about the withdrawal of Israeli

forces from all Lebanese

Israel's response was to conclude that Lebanos was incapable of fulfilling her

preventing south Lebanon once

Beirut yesterday.

Younger:



Testing the EEC air: Mrs Thatcher meeting President Mitterrand at RAF Benson, Oxfordshire, yesterday

#### US attacks Iraqi use of chemical weapons

From Mohsin Ali Washington

The United States yesterday accused Iraq of using chemical weapons in its war with Iran and condemned resort to them as being without justification. In a prepared statement the State Department said: "The US has concluded that the available evidence indicates that Iraq has used lethal chemical weapons. The US strongly condemns the pro-hibited use of chemical weacan be no justification for their use by any country."

The statement emphasized that the US had been working for many years with other nations to established a treaty banning production and stock piling of lethal chemical weapons in order to strengthen the

pons in order to strengthen the present interpretational problem. In the use of chemical was pens in recent confilers, including the frain-ing way only aids to the urgency of this undertaking, the statement

said. ing Iraq's resort to chemical weapons, the US also calls on the Government of Lors to accept the good offices offered by a number of countries and put an end to the bloodshed." The State Department went on to criticize the present Iranian

regime's "intransigent refusal to deviate from its avowed objective of eliminating the legitimate Government of neighbouring Iraq". Such an aim was inconsistent with the accepted norms of behaviour among nations, it said. Test on body, page 6

Science report, page 16

# Thatcher show will be kept on the road, says Biffen

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Mr John Biffen, Leader of the their guard against political accidents which could undermine the Government.

feeling that the Government was losing its sense of direction. Mr Biffen told The Times: "I Thatcher show can be kept firmly on the road."
Whitehall sources yesterday

reacted with characteristic unconcern to the weekend criticism of Mr Edward du Cana chairman of the Con- which we servative backbench 1922 Parliament Committee.

Cann's interview too scriousts. Coverament will have to state the state of the control of the state of the st nalism at its worst.

It's a viewe banana skin that dares to trip up



But Mr Biffen appeared to be Commons, said last night that far more alive to the dangers, ministers would have to be on He said: "I think that the warning of the early 1960s was that a series of essentially noneconomic issues seriously Against a background of undermined the standing of the growing unease on the Con- Conservative Government and servative backbenches and a also the standing of Harold Macmillan as Prime Minister. "Therefore, those of us who

live with some sense of history am quite certain that the are naturally concerned to avoid that happening in this Parliament, particularly when it looks as though there will be a degree of economic recovery over the next two or three years. in contrast to the recession which we weathered in the last

Mr Biffin said that "vigil-One central source reported ance would be needed, and that ministers were relaxed, that added: "I think the Conservithey were not taking Mr. du. tave Party and the Conservative

"The existance of a large majority is thought, I think wrongly, to give rise to a sense of over-confidence.

in order to combat that think you have to have a special vigilance vas lar as far as side issues are concerned, which could turn into matters of quite sharp political embarrassment. one can predict who these will occur, and often they are simply unavoidable, in which case the requriement is a keen sense of damage limi-

As for his own backbenchers. Mr Biffen said: "I would have thought that for many of them, this will be the first time that they have come into a situation of some shock and shell.

Continued on back page, col 5

#### Mitterrand leaves Chequers in silence

By Henry Stanhope Diplomatic Correspondent

The latest French proposals to pull back the EEC from the brink of bankruptcy were placed before Mrs Margaret Thatcher by President Mitterrand of France over a working lunch at Chequers yesterday.

But there was no sign of a deal last night as the President hurried home to Paris, with the crucial make-or-break Brussels summit less than two weeks off.

He gave nothing away as he left - nor did the officials on either side who were even more than usually impenetrable. "We must maintain absolute confidence," one said. Before the President and the

Prime Minister was a package of compromises, parcelled by the French Government after a neues of bilateral consultations with other members of the Ten since France took over the presidency of the European Coucil for six months at the turn of the year.

Britaile is refusing even to consider a plan to raise more funds for the impoverished Community, until two of its own demands have been met.

One of these is for tight controls over agricultural spending and the other is for a so-called safetynet which would limit the annual contributions of any one country.

President Mitterrand was reportedly bringing to Chequers a proposal which would go some way towards pegging the British contribution at between 17 and 20 per cent of the Community budget. But this was thought unlikely to satisfy

# Pilot on murder charge over body in lake

Mr Peter Hogg, an airline found by police searching Wast ilot aged 56, was charged last Water, the deepest lake in ight with the murder of his England, for a missing French pilot aged 56, was charged last night with the murder of his wife Margaret, after the discovery of a body in a lake in Cumbria last week.

Mrs Hogg was aged 37 when she vanished in 1976. She was a former air hostess who opened a restaurant with the help of ber husband near their home in Cranleigh, Surrey. They had two sons, now aged 18 and 14. Inquiries into Mrs Hogg's disappearance were revived after a body, reportedly wrapped in carpet and weighted

with a concrete kerbstone, was

terrorist base". Israel, an official statement said in

Jerusalem, would "determine

the best way to ensure its

Many Lebanese Christians

now fear that Israel will; partition, Lebanon and settle

down to a permanent occu-pation of the south of the

country, though government officials here hint that the

Israelis may withdraw soon

from the Awali river, abandon

their control of Sidon, and form

a new front line along the

southern bank of the Zahrani

Unless the Israelis leave

Lebanon altogether, however, the Syrians will undoubtedly

encourage the Shiz Muslims of

the south to go on fighting their

occupiers, thus turning Leba-

not into even more of a nightmare for the Army that

The wheel has now moved

invaded it 20 months ago.

full circle. When Israeli troops still occupied much of the

territory round Beirnt last year.

Lebanon signed its troop withdrawal accord with Israel.

security".

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter student.

Mr Hogg, who works for Air Europe, on Boeing 707 charter flights from Gatwick to European resorts, is to appear before magistrates at Guildford today. The charge alleges that he killed his wife between January I and February 29, 1976.

Mr Hogg flew for Court Line which collapsed in 1974, At the time he was on a stopover in Canada with one of the company's jets.

# Israeli anger as Gemayel tears up treaty

Lebanese Muslims, claimed that Mr Gemayel had surrendered to the Israelis when he gave his approval. Now, with Syria's Druze and Shia Muslim Income unaffected by investment performance or Lebanese allies threatening the

surrendered to the Syrians by tearing it up. The immediate future will almost certainly see a reconvened Geneva reconciliation conference that will endorse the end of Lebanon's relations with Israel and offer, in however mated a form, some kind of security guarantees in southern Lebanon. There is unlikely to be any forthcoming promise

President's very palace, Leba-

non has thrown out the same

agreement and the Israelis

believe Mr Gemayel has

In the longer term - though perhaps it is only a matter of a few months away - Israel and Syria may come into open war in Lebanon while the minority Christians who support the Phalange, Israel's erstwhile ailies, will feel ever more altenated

from Syria that it will withdraw

its own Army from Lebarion.

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# Minister seeks £15m cut in health service transport costs

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services

Health authorities are being often travelled virtually empty, asked to save £15m a year from the study found, and money the costs of providing NHS was wasted on higher priced fixel in place of cheaper NHS

In addition, ministers are considering ending NHS staff dockets to increase waiting-time loans to buy cars, and replacing charges, while one authority them with low-interest loans negotiated with the leasing for a taxi service than another subsidiarias of leading Parish subsidiaries of leading British authority in the same city using car manufacturers. That would the same firm. release £20m for patient The report

providing small cars on the companies and argued that NHS for staff who travel large savings of between 10 per cent mileages, instead of paying and more than 25 per cent them expenses. That should could be made on each use of save a minimum of another NHS transport. £15m over three years.

The moves were announced vesterday by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, with the publication of a Rayner scrutiny on Health authorities' use of

The study which covered all forms of transport from stores and laundry delivery vehicles. to buses, vans, taxis and staff use of cars, found that about 1.500 of the NHS's 6,000

vehicles were not needed. Large expensive vehicles coming year.

supplies at ambulance stations. A taxi firm was altering its

The report suggested that maintenance could be under-Ministers are also to consider taken more cheaply by specialist

> Mr Fowler said: "I expect to see substantial evidence of progress towards the national saving of £15m a year in the reports due from regional health

authorities next year".

• Leaders of Britain's 250,000 NHS ancillary workers have tabled a claim for pay rises of more than 20 per cent, a shorter working week and longer holidays. It comes as the Government has allowed only 3 per cent in health authorities budgets for pay rises in the

handed to the candidates this

the union executive next Mon-

The Todd camp said that its

candidate had the backing of big

branches which had a history of

high voting in previous elec-tions, while Mr Wright's sup-

port came mainly from smaller

branches, a large proportion of

them in his home base of Wales.

said last night that he also had the support of big branches. "I

would be quite happy to have

the numbers of nominations

published and then we shall be

able to see who is really ahead.

are winning the argument on

the ground and the support

from the hard left for Todd is

"There is no doubt that we

Mr Wright disputes this and

# Union poll candidate denies defeat claim

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent

A leading contender in the 1he 153 on which the left's election for the general secretary analysis was based. The full list of the Transport and General of candidates is expected to be Workers Union last night denied left-wing claims that he was facing defeat by 100,000

George Wright, the unions Weish regional secretary, who has the backing of the right, said that the claims were wild rubbish.

I know what is happening on the ground and we are winning. I think there is more than a hint of desperation in these claims "

The voting projection was made by supporters of Mr Ron Todd, the union's national organizer, who is the other leading candidate in the election to find a successor to Mr Moss Evans. They said that they had based their prediction on an analysis of branches which were known to have nominated the

o men.

But Mr Wright said last night ridiculous". Mr Wright said in that he expected to have about Stoke-on-Trent during a cam-600 nominations rather than paigning tour of the Midlands.

Britain invited to |

join US plan

for space station

The offer was made to

ministers and government scientific advisers by Mr James

Begg, administrator of the

National Aeronautics and Space

Administration, at the start of a

#### Strike to go on at Dimbleby paper group

An invitation to Britain to The nine journalists on strike join or the £8,000m United States project for a permanently at Mr David Dimbleby's newspaper group yesterday are-affirmed their decision to stay manned space station was extended to the Government out despite a decision by the House of Lords last week yesterday (Pearce ... Wright stopping their union's executive

from backing them Miss Joanna Davies, mother chairman) of the chapel (office branch) of the National Union of Journalists, said yesterday: The feeling of the chapel is that nothing has been changed by the House of Lords de-

The executive of the union voted last Friday against a move to make the dispute at the Richmond and Twickenham Times series official and to risk the possibility of the union's funds being sequestrated, as happened in the case of the National Graphical Associ-

In 1980 the Low Pay Unit.

now a vociferous defender of

vages councils, attacked them

Today the Confederation of

for failure to prevent low pay

participating in a process whose

When trade unionism was in

the ascendant in the 1960s and

1970s, most of the criticism

mounting chorus of complaint

#### Wages councils split both employers and unions

A Nottingham corner shop valuable job. It was not always recently was employing a woman who was prepared to In 1977 the Road Haulage Wages Council was abolished despite employers' protests. work a certain number of hours a week for a modest wage. The wage was below the statutory There have been many other Fit minimum' set by the industry's examples of unions believing Ast wages council, and the wages council, and the wages council to the employer he would have to pay the legal minimum.

Note The employer decided he sould not affrd it, and the rost woman lost her job.

Chambers of commerce that wages councils operated to the benefit of employers, and that collective bargaining would achieve more.

woman lost her job. Chambers of commerce

throughout Britain tell similar stories supporting their argu-British Industry is apparently undecided whether they are ment that wages councils, most of them formed many years agoto protect those in extremely low-wage industries, are now Nor low-wage mouse and was reducing job opportunities.

Wages councils were started by Sir Winston Churchill in 1909 to eliminate "sweat shops". They now cover nearly And That view, supported by self-are employed groups and other Con improved groups and other general businesses, appears to be the finding increasing favour with the Government.

We Mr Norman Table: three million workers in indus tries where union organization

remains weak and wages low, such as clothing and textile manufacture. catering, Although trade unionists have had reservations about

Au of jobs. g in the cabout rarty and too, g in the other hand, both believe cryages councils are doing a

#### **BL** decline could cost 100,000 jobs By Craig Seton

A further 100,000 jobs could be lost in The West Midlands if BL went into terminal decline, but 4,000 new jobs could be created by Austin Rover alone if the right policies are pursued. report on the car component industry suggests. The report, to be published

tomorrow, will be presented to the economic Development Committee of West Midlands County Council, It says that changing technology, demand fluctuations and sacrifices by BL's workforce in recent years, bave created an opportunity for it not only to survive, but to increase its share of the market.

The report, which highlights, recent changes and future prospects for the West Midlands automobile components industry, has been prepared by the Science Policy Research Unit at Sussex University.

It says BL must increase its market share by new funding for the development of a new engine and transmission and quates Mr Jack Adams, trade union convener at Longbridge, as saying that unless that happens, "all we will be left with is robots assembling imported kits and compo-

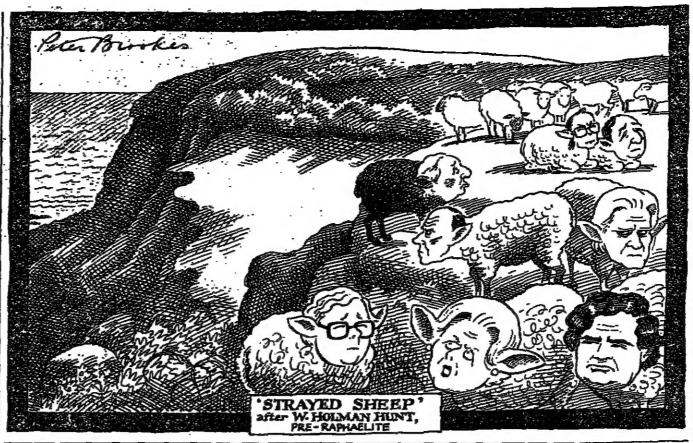
It also gives a warning that for every additional one per cent of parts bought abroad by Austin Rover, the West Midlands will lose 1,400 jobs.

Mr Geoffrey Edge, chairman of the committee said: "If present policies and trends continue, 71,000 jobs will be lost in the West Midlands as a result of demise of Austin

"If Jaguar, and Land-Rover are included, the potential job loss is over 100,000. If policies are changed and the oportunity seized, the Austin Rover group alone could create 4.000 jobs.

week and will be presented to The report says that BL's difficulties, and those of the component industry are not caused by the depression as the demand for vehicles in Britain topped one million last year for the first time since 1979.

The job loss was simply the result of the restructuring of multinational companies for which the West Midlands was



#### Whitehall brief

# When civil servants take business posts

By Peter Hengessy The battle lines on the issue of senior civil servants taking business appointments have been drawn less than a week after the all-party Commons committee on the Treasury and Civil Service opened its hear-

The number of would-be businessmen leaving the top three Whitehall grades - which includes about 700 permanent, deputy and under-secretaries -Those who

left all submitted themselves to the voluntary screening system operated by an advisory com-mittee chaired by Lord Diamond, the former Labour Cabinet minister. There are no precise figures

on the number of requests that have been rejected by the committee, but flat refusals are rare. Some officials have varying spells in purdah on the committee's recommendation. However, one civil servant, Sir John Garlick, doubled the standard three-month gap between retirement and a new job on his own initiative.

Several Conservative and Labour MPs on the select committee want tougher legally enforced rules as is the case in the United States. Mr Austin Mitchell, Labour MP for Great Grimsby, aithough impartial while chairing the investi-gation, has been an outspoken critic of the present system outside the committee room.

However, former civil servants now in business have struck back, Sir Frank Cooper, the former Permanent Under-Secretary of State at the Ministry of Defence (now Babcock International, N M Rothschild, Morgan Crucible, and Westland Helicopters) has said that public servants "have got amazingly high standards in today's British world of morality and ethics...much higher in some ways than one is

almost entitled to expect".

Sir Donald Maitland, the former Permanent Under-Secretary of State at the Department of Energy (now a govern-ment appointed director of Britoil and director of Slough Estates), believes that the use Whitehall experience to

companies can only benefit the wider national interest.

academic life

The select committee's concentration on the private sector appointments of the very top officials obscures the general

senior civil servants go into Many do voluntary service as well as their business work. An increasing number of those leaving are from the middle ranks which is almost univer-

sally regarded as beneficial. Examples of outside appointments of senior civil servants leaving Whitehall since 1980

LORD BANCROFT, Head of the Home Civi Service, 1981: Non-executive director Base, Rugby Portland Cement, Grindlays Bank, Sun Life Assurance, Chairman of the Council, Mansfield College, Oxford, Management Board of the Royal Hospital & Home for incurables.

Six DOUGLAS WASS, Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, 1983: Head of Economic Strategy Unit. Coopers Lybrand, non-executive director De la Rius, Equity & Law, adviser to the 1984 Campaign for Freedom of Information.

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expective circuit of and security. Department of Health & Social Security, 1981: Master of St Catherine's College, Oxford, chairman Society of Italic Handwriting, trustee National Maritime Museum, member Royal Council on Art. SIR KENNETH CLUCAS, Permanent Secretary, Department of Trade, 1981: Member Council on Tribunals, chairman Nuffield Foundation on pharmacy, non-executive director Gastetner Holdings, Careras Rothman, Vice Chairman National Association

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SIR PETER CAREY, Permanent Secretary. Department of Industry, 1983: Government director Cable and Wireless, executive director Morgan Grenfell Holdings, non-executive director EPB Industries, Dalgety.

SIR JOHN GARLICK, Permanent Secretary, Department of the Environment, 1981: Director Abbey National Building Society, member London Docklands Development

Corporation. MR JOHN LIPPITT, Deputy Secretary, Department of Industry, 1980: Associate director, GEC.
SIR BRIAN TOVEY, Director GCHO 1983: Security consultant, Pleasey

#### **Thatcher** blocks questions on son

By Julian Haviland Political Editor

The Prime Minister again gave a blocking answer yester. day to a question from the Opposition Front Bench about the Oman univerity contract which has been given to the Cementation construction company for which her son Mark, acted.

Mr Bryan Gould, a Labour spokesman on trade and indus-try, asked Mrs Margaret Thatcher from whom she first learned of Cementation's interest in the project, in which she pressed Britain's interest while visiting Oman in 1981.

In a written Commons answer yesterday Mrs Thatcher said she had nothing to add to an answer she gave last week, in which she said there was no record of when she first learned of Cementation's interest in the contract or of her son's interest in Cementation's negotiations. Mr Gould, with Mr Peter

Shore, Labour's principal spokesman on trade and industry, has been trying to establish whether it can or cannot be assumed that the Prime Minister, in raising the contract with the Omanis, was promoting

Cementation's interests.

Mr Gould said yesterday that Labour meant to pursue this point, on which Mrs Thatcher had twice avoided answering questions by referring to pre-vious answers, on different

aspects of the matter. Mr Gould said there had been no pretence of answering his question yesterday. It showed the lengths to which the Prime Minister was prepared to go to a oid replying to questions on the matter.

 Barclays Bank yesterday began an internal inquiry to discover how details of a bank account operated by Mr Mark Thatcher were leaked to The Sunday Times (the Press Association reports).

The newspaper claimed on Sunday to have found that Mrs Thatcher's husband Denis was authorized last year to sign cheques for the Monteagle Marketing company which Mr Mark Thatcher co-founded.

The newspaper gave details of Mr Mark Thatcher's bank account, including its number

## Anglicans urged to back a free Namibia

The international Anglican visit Namibia as soon as his Communion was urged yester-day to throw its "world wide not be for another two yeas. influence" behind pressure for Namibian independence and the withdrawal of South African

The report, by six leading Anglicans from Britain, the United States, Japan and South Africa, concludes that no democratic settlement can be churches will begin to operate, reached without incorporating organization, what justice demands in Nami-

It says: "Swapo has overwhelming support, not least from the main-line churches

and their leaders". The South African Government is criticized for its 18-year "ilegal occupation" of Namibia, and the authors find a "disturbing and profound scepticism" among Namibians about the international diplomatic community's will to implement the United Nations resolution call-

ing for independence. The Archbishop of Canter-bury. Dr Robert Runcie, who received the report agreed to

The Rt Rev James Thompof the delegates who spent two weeks in the northern war zone

last October, expected the report to stimulate financial and

bia," he said yesterday. Three dioceses in the United States have promised £360.000

for education, medical and industrial projects, and the Diocese of Hawaii has tithed 10 per cent of its income to Namibian development. The bishop lamented the comparitive difficulty of persuading the Church of England to accept its financial responsibility to the Third World. administrator leaves

within the next month to assist the Bishop of Namibia, the Rt James Kauluma. Toivo interview, page 5

# SDP may change selection rules

consider changing their rules for choosing by-election candidates so as to make it easier for star performers to be fielded in

will be asked to approve next week, will mean that in future all prospective candidates will be selected on the basis that their political fitness will be reconsidered if a by-election Mr Mike Thomas, former SDP MP for Newcastle East and chairman of the party's

The proposed change, which

the SDP's national committee

organization committee, said yesterday it was crucial for the party to ensure that it had the best candidates for by-elections. There was no reason why a good general election candidate should necessarily also be able to handle the special pressures of a by-election.

There are positive and negative reasons for Mr Tho-mas's proposal, which has been canvassed within the SDP

national committee for The negative reason is the wish to ensure that a weak or painlessly removed before his

shortcomings are exposed to the exceptional glare of a byelection campaign. The party has ancomfortable memories of the Darlington by-election a year ago, when their pleasant but inexperienced standard-bearer, Mr . Tony Cook, seemed to lose support throughout the campaign and

finished third. The positive reason is the party's belief that Mrs Shirley Williams and Mr William Rodgers, members of the founding gang of four, may be willing to fight again if the right seat falls vacant; and that there are seats which only figures of comparable calibre

The SDP as well as the Liberals are intensely aware of the value to their joint cause of good by-election performances

#### MPs unconvinced by spending White Paper

By Frances Williams, Economics Correspondent Government plans to hold

Treasury select committee. In a report published on the eve of today's Commons debate on the latest public spending White Paper, the MPs point out that state spending has "regu-larly and significently" exceeded planning targets. We see nothing in the White Paper to

convince us that a similar pattern of events will not unfold", the committee says. The Government's plans, which envisage spending rising no faster than prices between now and 1986-87, are in marked contrast to the experience of the past five years, the report states. Between 1978-79 and 1983-84 spending has risen by 7 per cent

more than prices, even on the

and Therm-A-Stor.

Government's figures.

But when adjusted for public spending in check have changes in the treatment of been greeted with scepticism by housing and sickness benefits, influential all-party reduced national insurance surcharge, sales of state assets and debt interest spending has risen by 12.3 per cent, or about 25 per cent a year, according to the committee.

> The report singles out for criticism official projections showing a big drop in local authority spending and govern-ment support for state indusries. It says it does not see how the suggested turnround in industry finances can be achieved without substantial price rises, although ministers deny that.

The MPs also complain that they are not being given enough information about the govern-ment's views on the economy in

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Mr Jack Taylor, president of the Yorkshire miners in Barnsley yesterday telling miners of the decision to strike from next Monday in protest at pit closures.

# Commons critical of coal board

The National Coal Board and the Department of Energy were criticized yesterday by a committee of MPs for being too slow to react to the emergence of a "thriving growth industry" in compensation claims for subsidence damage to build-

Such claims will cost the board £128m more this year than forecast, about £113m of the extra cost being in the north Nottinghamshire coalfield, mainly in Mansfield. The Select Committee on Energy reported that the number and size of claims over

the past year could not be

By Philip Webster, Political Reporte explained by change in geologi-

After referring to the evidence of Mr Ian MacGregor, the coal board chairman, and Mr Don Concannon, Labour MP for Mansfield, that the ciaims "business" was being exploited by surveyors, the committee voiced concern at the implication that the board had

been taken by surprise.

Mr MacGregor told the committee he was sure the board was being "taken for a Mr Concannon said that "certain gentlemen in and around Mansfield" were adver-

tising in the local paper to help

householders with their claims One pit, which had a profit of £13m last year, had made a loss this year because of The committee said esti-

mates of economic reserves at some pits might have to be reduced if less coal were to be It said: "We find it difficult

to understand why the board, and through them the Department of Energy, did not become problem at a much earlier stage and why they did not take appropriate action before further large sums of public money had been committed."

#### **Exercise** tests air defences By Rodney Courton

Aircraft from nine nations will be locked in combat until tomorrow evening in a test to see whether Britain can be adequately defended against air

The exercise, codenamed Elder Forest 84, will produce some of the most intensive military flying over Britain since the Second World War. it began yesterday and concentrated mainly on reconnaissance flights and patrols. Over three days more than 900 sorties will be flown by about 200 aircraft to simulate attacks on RAF stations and radar and missile sites. The British defences wil be

reinforced by United States and Danish aircraft. The exercise will involve

most types of RAF aircraft, including Phantoms and Light-nings carrying out interceptions, Vulcan and Victor tankers providing air-to-air refuelling Shackleton aircraft carrying out long-range patrols to identify enemy attacks, and Hawk trainer aircraft providig sbortrange defence.

Diplomat charged

Sir Peter Hayman, seed 69, a former diplomat, of Checken-don, Oxfordshire, appeared before Reading magistrates yesterday accused of committing an act of gross indecency with Leonard Beach, aged 35, lorry driver, at a public place in Reading, Berkshire, Both were granted unconditional bail until May 16.

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# Sixteen seamen died after lifeboat told aid was not needed, inquiry hears

sea in 35ft waves and saved passage from Ghent in Belgium time". At the same time the nine of the twenty five crew of to the Congo with 5,000 tons of Casabianca assured the Radiant the freighter Radiant Med grain. She capsized 18 miles off Med that it was just astern. despute being told by a French St Martin's Point, Guernsey, on The inquiry was told that warship that help was not January 24, and the crew. Radiant Med was listing heavily required, an inquiry in London Filipino seamen and Indian was told yesterday. The other 16 officers, abandoned ship.

freighter has come after demands from the National union of seamen, which has made complaints against the ship's

The decision to hold the investigation in London under Mr Richard Stone, QC, is part of Liberia's policy of improving its image as official owner of the world's largest fleet.

An air/sea operation involving the Royal Navy, the fisheries protection vessel, Orkney, RAF and French helicopters and the French destroyer Casablanca, was in-Radiant Med's crew. Mr Frank Wiswall, for the

Law Society

intensifies

By Frances Gibb

Legal Affairs Correspondent
The growing lobby for reforms in the way the Law

Society handles complaints has

been joined by the National Association of Citizens' Advice

Bureaux, which handles 10,000

complaints about solicitors a

It is backing the call for an

independent, lay element in the society's handling of com-

plaints, after the internal Law

Society report last week on the

The report had described as a

disgrace the way the society had

handled the case of Mr Davies.

a solicitor who was struck off

the roll for overcharging a client

the society to have power to

deal not only with proven

professional misconduct, as at

present, but with incompetence,

and to have power to order compensation for aggrieved

An article in the latest law

Society Gazette says that the present remedies of negligence

actions in the courts and the law

Society's own investigatory powers fail to provide ad-

equate recourse for a substantial number of complaints about

the society's intention to seek

increased statutory powers to

actively to seek legislative time

the correction of errors.

The association is backing

The association also wants

Glanville Davies affair.

by £131,000.

solicitors".

The inquiry was told that at The investigation into the about 11.45pm the Radiant loss of the 2,997 ton Liberian Med fired a distress signal and the Casabianca was seen approaching. The final message mate Mr Subhas Singh Tanwar, that the Radiant Med was being abandoned, was at 01.13 hours.

could see the lights of other the gap. The hold was "absolvessels approaching, and one set utely full" of water. of lights, which they took to be Casabianca, came within 200 metres. After a time the Guernsey lifeboat, the Sir William Arnold, came alongside and the lifeboatmen dragged the nine survivors on board.

board.

Mr Wiswall said that at one stage the Casabianca said it did come over. Eventually he was not need lifeboat support. The taken on board the Guernsey last message from the Radiant lifeboat. Liberian Admiralty, said that Med. at 01.13 hours, said that

The Guernsey lifeboat put to the Radiant Med was on the ship was going down "any

The inquiry was told that the Guernsey lifeboat crew decided to launch the Sir William Arnold anyway.

The Radiant Med's chief sent to the Casabianca. saying said waves were washing the deck before the ship capsized. Two pontoons were dislodged Nine survivors in a lifeboat and she shipped water through

> coming close with scrambling nets, but the Radiant Med went down very fast, he told the inquiry. He and 10 or 12 other men jumped in the water wearing life-jackets. The Casabianca was very

close and they expected her to

The inqury continues today

# Criticism of | Changing times for rural readers

By Hugh Clayton

Advice about feeding trout and keeping mice out of the vegetable garden rubs vegetable shoulders with advertisements for country houses and shot-guns in the latest issue of The Field. It is the last to be edited by Mr Derek Bingham, who left his office on Friday.

The latest issue reflects Mr Bingham's determination to keep the paper true to its 131year-old tradition of speaking to the landed families of England. Sir Richard Butler. president of the National Farmers Union, is pictured in the latest issue in full hunting rig as chairman of the East Essex foxbounds.

That symbolises the appe of the paper during Mr Bingham's editorship of almost seven years to a precisely defined but dwindling reader-ship. The Field tells its readers not only about farming and field sports, but also about public schools, the turf and the politics of the Church of

England. Associated. which publishes The Field as well as the Daily Mail, has said nothing about Mr Bingham's departure. Sources at Harmsworth Press, the Associated ary which publishes The field, said at first that he was be succeeded by Mr Simon McQorcodale.

But Mr Simon Courtauld, deputy editor of The Spectator



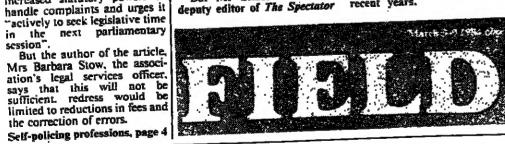
Mr Courtauld: Expects to take over in May.

and a former legal affairs correspondent of *The Times*, said yesterday that he was to become editor of *The Field* in

May. Mr Courtauld said yesterday that he wanted to broaden the appeal of his new paper for those who live in and those who like the countryside. "In general the idea is to make it bigger and better", he said.

The paper has an editorial staff of six and relies heavily on a small group of expert contributors who supply such regular features as hunting reports and Notes from the Potting Shed. Some contributors write under their own

names and under pseudonyms Like other magazines aiming at a miral readership. The Field has lost some of its market in



# Joint satellite TV faces delays

cast by satellite (DBS) television network beaming into British homes within two years are likely to be delayed by difficultics over legal issues and disagreements between the

partners in the project.

Although the installation of the £400m satellite television network as soon as possible is still seen as a priority by the Prime Minister, there is now a widespread belief in the television industry that the earliest such a system could come into operation is 1988.

Furthermore, the chief broadcasting partners in the project,

Painting's

origin

uncertain

By Geraldine Norman

deciding whether a watercolour

it sold on December 13 was a

"deliberate forgery" or genu-

The seller, Mr Ronald

Leyton, a Beckenham dealer,

has put pressure on the

auctioneers through his solici-

Christie's is having difficulty

The Government's plans for the BBC and the independent television, the companies have a comprehensive direct broad- television companies, are likely to exact a heavy ideological price for going ahead with a scheme that the Government regards as a vital job-creation

> The Independent Broadcasting Authority is expected tomorrow, to back the independent television companies' demands for open-ended television franchises, which could give them licences in perpetuity. The extension of the indepen-dent television franchises will

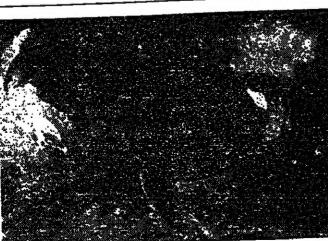
infuriate the advertising industry, which is critical of the "duopoly" that the BBC and commercial stations hold over

argued that without the duopoly they will not be able to raise sufficent capital to pay for their share of the satellite.
The IBA has reached its

conclusion by a different route. Because it believes the last round of franchise renewals in 1980 were highly unsatisfactory, it proposes a new system of franchises based on rigorous continual assessment of the performance of independent television companies.

At present each franchise is reviewed after a set period to enable rival groups to fight for

Computer horizons, page 22



Unknown quantity: "Study of a Cock".

tors because he has not had the £2,860 sale price, or the drawing back. The watercolour is "Study of a Cock", strongly signed J. Crawhall. Joseph Crawhall was a turn of the century Scottish artist who specialized in painting birds and cows. His

work is keenly collected in Scotland. The purchaser was Andrew Whitfield, of the Carlton Gallery, Ediuburgh, who was

not able to check the painting until he returned home.

Then he discovered that an identical painting on linen in the Burrell collection in Glasgow. Since Crawhall was not known for different versions of the same subject. Whitfield concluded it must be a forgery and returned it to Christie's a

few days after the sale.

While buyers must in general beware of faults in the items on which they bid an exception is made for "deliberate forgeries". Christie's will rescind a sale if the purchaser can prove "deliberate forgery".

On the back of the receipt given to a vendor it is stated that "Christie's are authorized to set aside the sale" if the property is proved a "deliberate forgery". That must be done within a "reasonable period"

after the sale. Mr Leyton says that period is nearly over. Christie's says that it has usked Mr Whitfield to supply written evidence within 10 days. Mr Whitfield is surprised

that Christie's has not been prepared to express a view. He hopes to receive a written opinion from Mr Andrew Patrick, director of the Fine Art Society, to settle the issue.

Mr Leyton says he bought the watercolour from a dealer who has sold him many genuine drawings. He paid £100 and spent £35 having it

At Christie's suggestion an estimate of £150 to £250 was put on it, but he insisted on a £250 reserve) believing the watercolour to be worth about

Mr Whitfield says it would be worth nearer £5,000 if



sweaters in London yesterday. First prize went to Judith Watson (left), aged 31, of Epsom School of Art and Design; second was Karina Mrowiec (centre), aged 22, of Berkshire College of Art, and third Jane Hunter, aged 22, of Liverpool Polytechnic. (Photograph: Suresh Karadia).

#### Don tipped as phones watchdog

By Bill Johnstone **Technology Correspondent** 

The favoured candidate to head the office of Telecomuni-cations, the watchdog of the telephone industry, has emerged as an academic - Professor Bryan Carsberg of the London

The new consumer body will operate in similar fashion to that of the Office of Fair Trading, responding to con-sumers' complaints. The agency will be created by the passage of the telecommunications Bill, which is making its way through

No final decision on its director general has been made, but Professor Carsberg, an expert in accounting and busiess finance who has previously conducted telecommunication studies for the government, leads the short list.

It is still uncertain what powers which the director general of the agency will have, but he will be responsible for ensuring that a privately owned British Telecom, and other suppliers such as Mercury, adhere to the conditions laid down in their operating licences. The telecommunications Bill will also convert the stategiant into a private company and empower the Government to sell off parts. The Government intends to sell 51 per cent

of it in the autumn.

telecommunications

Several hundred children

#### Man denies stealing rescue-alert beacon prosecution, told the court that the pocket-sized warning divice was found to be missing from

A £99 radio distress beacon stolen from a North Sea gas rig caused an international search the Shell Echo rig last June, after Mr Brown had worked when it went wrong Ipswich Crown Court was told yester-

Rescue helicopters were scrambled after "bleeps" from the beacon were picked up by a foreign space satellite. It was only after a fruitless air-sea search that the source of

the mystery signal was traced to a house in Erskine, Strathclyde, where the defective beacon was found lying on top of a wardrobe. Leslie Brown, an engineer,

aged 36, of Erskine, has pleaded not guilty to a charge of stealing

the beacon.

Mrs Caroline Ludlow, for the

#### Firm with summer camp at Harrow in liquidation

American-style summer camp at Harrow during the summer holidays has gone into liqui-dation, owing the public school about £50,000.

The company which attracted investment from wealthy. Arab parents, organized elaborate sporting activities at the school which included go-karting, para-descending, water-skiing

and relayed to a "foreign power", which passed the information to the Royal Air After a search by Sea King helicopters the source of the

She said that the beacon

developed a fault and began to

transmit a VHF distress signal

It was picked up by a satellite

signal was traced to Erskine and Mr Brown was seen after neighbours told the police that

By John Witherow

A company set up an Ties Investments, lost £200,000

attended the camp in 1982 and 1983 but the company, The International English School, or

in 1982 and has gone into liquidation with an estimated deficiency to creditors and shareholders of £1.2m. The former managing direc-tor, Mr Philip Barker, said that

he had set up a new company to do similar work and wanted to run a summer camp at Harrow He said that he was deeply issuessed by the losses suffered by the creditors and share by the creditors are share increased by more than 44 per cent, with January showing a jump of nearly 47 per cent.

by the creditors and snare-holders and declared: "It is our avowed intention to repay a quarter of the cost of an all creditors in one way or another leather shoe when it leaves the

#### Phone help for heart victims

A telephone service to enable untrained people to help heart attack victims was launched in

Avon yesterday. Callers who dial 999 are told how to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation until an ambulance crew arrives. The advice is given by a telephone operator at an ambulance station, reading from a script.

The idea comes from Seattle, in the United States, where it increased the survival rate of heart victims. It can also help with drug overdoses.
Dr Peter Baskett; a consult

ant anaesthetist, who helped to write the script, said: "The victim of a heart attack will normally suffer brain damage within four minutes, so fast action can be a life-saver."

#### **Computer** company pledge on prices

By Derek Harris Commercial Editor

Apple Computer (UK), the British subsidiary of Apple Computer of the United States. which pioneered the personal computer, has been accused of attempting to fix a minimum for resale prices in shops.

Complaints of attempts at price-fixing have also been made against other computer manufacturers, the Office of Fair Trading said yesterday. So far its investigations have led only to action against Apple. Sir Gordon Borris. Director-

General of Fair Trading, said vesterday that Apple had given him written assurances that it would not attempt in future to maintain resale prices. Apple is telling its retailers

they are free to sell Apple systems at whatever price they choose.

The office acted after a retailer complained that Apple had withheld supplies because

had withheld supplies because of his discounting.

Under the Resale Prices Act suppliers must make it a condition of supply that goods will not be sold below a specified price.

Manufacturary can suggest a

Manufacturers can suggest a retail price provided there is no implication that a dealer selling at a reduced price may suffer

reprisals.
Since a new wave of personal computers has appeared price competition in the field has

Apple in the United States reported sharply reduced earnings in the last quarter of 1983. The first half of this year is also likely to be affected and then profit margins are expected to

improve.
IBM, a late entrant into the personal computer market, reduced its prices a few weeks

#### M6 repairs

A three-year renovation of 22 miles of the M6 between Broughton and Hampson Green in Lancashire will start within a week. The work will cost £15m.

# Shoe prices likely to rise

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

Leather footwear prices are likely to rise soon by at least 5 per cent, the equivalent of £2.50

on a £50 pair of shoes. The British Footwear Manufacturers Federation yesterday predicted the increase, which is blamed on a sharp rise in the costs of raw hides. In the five months to the end of January hide prices have increased by more than 44 per cent, with

Hide prices account for about

factory gate.

Some manufacturers have been stockpiling hides, so price rises could show through gradually in the shops, probably from spring to the autumn.
There has also been some rise in prices of non-leather shoe materials, with an increase of 7.3 per cent over five months accelerating to 7.9 per cent in

Shop prices so far have federation. In 12 months to the end of January prices rose by i

#### Review ordered on maintenance for husband

The High Court yesterday ordered magistrates to reconsider an order that a woman must pay her estranged husband 20 a week maintenance.

Mrs Vanessa Wills, a clerk with Thames Television, was appealing against a decision of Kingston upon Thames magis-trates. Jir John Arnold, President of the Family Division, sitting with Mr Justice Lincoln, said the magistrates did not have enough information about her financial situation to make such an order.

Mrs Wills, of Ashstead, Surrey, left her husband, Christopher, last summer, after he returned home from hospital treatment for a disease which affects his legs. Mr Wills, who now lives with

his parents and was said to have no money other than sickness benefit and mobility allowance, had been granted maintenance until he finishes a postgraduate course next year.

#### Waxworks ban on accused

John Kevin Acland, a civil servant, aged 21, of Sherington Avenue, Hatch End, north-west London, who is accused of damaging the Sleeping Beauty and other models at Madame Tussaud's in London on Sunday was banned from the waxworks house as a condition of bail by Marylebone magistrates yesterday. He was remanded until

Natural mother Mrs Roselyne Walker, aged 33, of Mosborough. Sheffield,

who had a test-tube baby 12

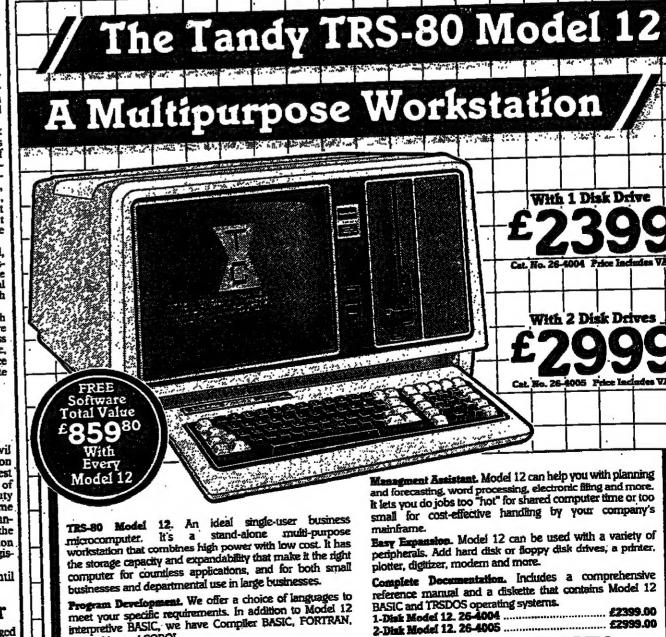
March 26.

#### years ago, has baffled doctors by becoming naturally pregnant. She is expecting twins. Blaze deaths

John Quinn, aged 38, and his daughter Bernadette, aged five, died in a fire at their home in Leytonstone, east London, yes-terday. His wife and six other children escaped.

Court powers

Courts are to be given the power from October I under the Mental Health Act to send mentally disordered offenders to psychiatric hospitals for assessment and treatment rather than to prison.



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# Growing concern over arts funding after end of GLC

The pattern of funding for the arts in the areas affected by the planned abolition of the GLC and the metropolitan county councils will depend on the outcome of deliberations by the Earl of Gowrie, Minister for the Arts, who is now representations made to him during the consultation period, Mr William Waldegrave, Under Secretary of State for the Arts, said during

Mr Patrick Cormack (South Staffordshire, C) asked if the minister had read The Times leading article on the subject on Saturday and said many people felt the decision to abolish the councils was a grand political gesture by the Government without it having thought through the consequences.

Will he ensure (he went on) that
the Earl of Gowrie produces a

consultation paper when he has had a chance to consider all the various representations made about the iplications of this decision? Mr Waldegrave: I did read the leading article, which I thought bore all the hallmarks of leader produced

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**HOUSE OF LORDS** 

Mr Sydney Chepman (Chipping-Barnet, C): Will be recognize that The Times leader on Saturday spoke for many Londoners when it said the last thing they want, in the event of the abolition of the GLC, is a joint body of councils with power to precept boroughs for an arts

While in the event of the abolition of the GLC some of the major London arts functions might be taken over by the Arts Council, could he look into the proposal that some of the minor functions might be encouraged to be taken up by the boroughs by having an element for the arts in the rate support grant

boroughs to take on a larger role in arts funding that would be reflected in their rate support grant settle-ment. I accept that the least satisfactory solution for the arts would be a joint board. That is my

Mr Norman Bochan, Opposition men spokesman on the arts, (Paisley arts.



Cormack: Political gesture not thought through

will be bringing forward a paper which will respond. nth, Lab): How many of the 500 or so representations recieived have approved of the idea? Is be aware of the anxiety tat exists in theatre, music and literature about what is happening in the metropolitan authorities and the GLC? Will be tell the Earl of Gowrie tht there should be no decision made in relation to this

> We have had a call from jundred: of people, from Lord Olivier to Brian Rix, Bruce Forsyth to Mr he must pay attention.

> Mr Waldergrave: The Times leader was correct in saying it would be absurd to defend the structure of local government simply because of the funding of the arts. I was not much impressed by the signed advertisement produced by a public

# Close check being kept on fowl pest

As a result of the new strategy introduced by the Metropolitan Police Commissioner there had been a drop in the crime rate for London. Lard Etton, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, said at

He told Lord Grimond (L) that the total number of notifiable offences recorded by the Metropoli-tan Police in 1983 was 4 per cent

figures for the rest of the country and also inquired whether the fall in crime in the capital coincided with the decision to put more policemen on the best on foot.

overall decline of 1 per cent over the He added: We see this as being

the result of the new strategy introduced by the Commissioner but – as he himself has pointed out – it is a little early to draw any final conclusions from the first batch of

a Commons written reply that it was that 141,000 local authority and new town dwellings in England were sold

Since January 1982 members of advice.

the House of Commons staff have

been required to report intended visits by them to some Communist countries to departmental heads and

there had been opportunities for

staff representations since then, Mr

Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L) said in the Commons answering

Mr Donald Coleman (Neath, Lab)

asked him why is it necessary for this limitation of be placed upon staff of this House and what special reasons are there which require staff to be treated differently from MPs

Mr Beith: The purpose of the requirement is to ensure staff have access to advice which may be used in travelling to countries where

in using their own time?

**AGRICULTURE** 

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food has the first outbreaks of Newcastle disease (fowl pest) in poultry since 1978 under the closest investigation to try to discover whether they are connected with each other and to find out while ach other and to find out while ach other and to find out their origin, Mrs Peggy
Femer, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries
and Food said in the Commons.

In a statement about the outbreaks of the disease last week in Shropshire and near Thirsk in North Yorkshire, Mrs Fenner said the two outbreaks had been confirmed and, in accordance with Government policy, the poultry in question had been or were being destroyed. Compensation was pay-

able.
All possible steps associated with the slaughter policies were being taken by the State Veterinary Service to prevent spread of the disease, including declarations of infected areas, movement restrictions and tracings.

is she satisfied (he asked) that there is no external overseas source of infection? Will she keep the House informed of further develop-

gation and I will tell the House of

Many poultry farmers are con-cerned that these outbreaks may be you will miss. (Laughter).

experience suggests difficulties may arise from their status as employees of the House. It is in the interests of

Mr Robert Rhodes James (Cambridge, C): This applies to former officers of this House and as the

only former officer who is a member

of the House, why should I not have a holiday in Albania without asking

Mr Beith: Neither present nor

former staff are precluded from

visiting any of the countries concerned, but we want to make

Mr Davin Winnick (Walsall North,

Laby. Are the KGB trying to find out

bout parliamentary procedure, the

ion of the Clerk of the

permiss

directly related to the large number of chickens being imported from our European partners. Can she assure us that every effort will be made to ensure that there is no connexion between EEC imports

and the outbreaks? Mrs Fenner: Every investigation as to origin is being and will be made. The ministry will do everything possible to find the origin of the

In a further reply she said: We shall do everthing possible to restrict these outbreaks. Following confirmation of the disease, infected area restrictions were imposed on a 10 kilometre radius.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Workington, Lab): What is the Government position on vacci-

cation of vaccination by owners would have to be considered as an option it the slaughter policy was seen to be likely to fail, but around outbreaks would represen

#### What to give up

during Lent or intection? Will she keep the floures from the first batch of figures.

Questioned about the crime detection rate the minister said the rate of clear-up had risen from 16 to 17 per cent.

House sales

Sir George Young, Under Secretary of State for the Environment, said in connexion are under closest investive of the about the crime detection rate the minister said the million head of poultry in such an outbreak. Can she assure us that everthing that can be done will be done?

Mrs Fenner: I can certainly assure him that everthing that can be done will be done. Both origin and of state for the Environment, said in connexion are under closest investive of the about developments because only 14 years ago the Butcher, Under Secretary of State for Trade and Industry at the weekend when he called on clargymen to give up politics for Lent. Mr John Brunder or Trade and Industry at the weekend when he called on clargymen to give up politics for Lent. Mr John Brunder Secretary of State for Trade and Industry at the weekend when he called on clargymen to give up politics for Lent. Mr John Brunder Secretary of State for Trade and Industry at the weekend when he called on clargymen to give up politics for Lent. Mr John Brunder Secretary of State for Trade and Industry at the weekend when he called on clargymen to give up politics for Lent. Mr John Brunder Secretary of State for Trade and Industry at the weekend when he called on clargymen to give up politics for Lent. Mr John Brunder Secretary of State for Trade and Industry at the weekend when he called on clargymen to give up politics for Lent. Mr John Brunder Secretary of State for Trade and Industry at the million head of poultry in such an outbreak Can she assure us that everthing that can be done will be done?

an obscure junior minister? Sir William van Stranb

Irving) is the MP for Chelter (Laughter).

informed of this particular change? Could we not confine the require-

ments to those shown to be most at

risk, thereby excluding cleaners, clerks and other servants who have not attended the best public

Mr Beith: It is the duty of the

Commission to keep under review arrangements of this kind. He may

Mr Tony Baldry (Banbury, C): Personally, I think that during Lent Many poultry farmers are con- one should try to give up something

months from January (. As many farms in Wales are mixed farms, how will it be possible to differentiate between dairy farming and non-dairy farming elements in respect of investment Possible problems for Commons staff in, for example, soil imaprove

South, C): Can he assure the House this has nothing to do with the fact Mr Edwards: At the moment that the chairman of the Commons existing schemes are being rolled over because agreement has not yet been reached on future provision. In view of the complicated catering subcommittee (Mr Charles negotiations currently going on, it is too early to speculate exactly how farmers will have to deal with matters not finally settled. Mr Alan Williams (Swansea West, Lab) for the Opposition: Why has it taken 14 months for the House to be

Mr Geraist Howells (Ceredigion and North Pembroke, L): Is he in favour of introducing a quota system to persuade Welsh farmers produce extra food from the

Mr Edwards: I am certain a large number of Welsh farmers and Welsh farming interests believe a quota system may be the best way to protect individual farms in a period

The current negotiations in Europe lead one to the conclusion

reflected in its annual report for

1982, when five doctors were

penalized by erasure. Two arose

from improper relations with patients. A third came from the

conviction of a doctor with a

long previous record. In an-

other, a doctor issued many

prescriptions for drugs for fees

otherwise than in the course of bina fide treatment". The fifth

concerned a doctor who charged

high fees for injections "of an

undisclosed nature" after diag-

noses of two patients which was

not subsequently confirmed by hospital examination.

towards serious professional misconduct proven in the past

10 years, the council appears to

take a more serious view of the

worst examples of emotional

relations with a patient: penal-ties range from admonition to

erasure, depending on what happened. Where a doctor has

seriously disregarded responsi-

bilities to a patient, penalties ranged from admonition to

would be an available sanction.

suspension or the making of registration subject to con-ditions, doctors can appeal to

the Privy Council.

In cases resulting in erasure

ion, although erasum

Judging by its reaction

# Scottish Bill gets guillotined

#### RATE CAPPING

The Rating and Valuation (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill – which would bring in a similar system of rate capping to that in the Rates Bill for England and Wales – needed to be made law by the summer, Mr John Biffen, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House, told the Commons when moving the imposition of a guillotine motion on the remaining stages of the Scotlish Bill.

The motion provides that the standing committee should report the Bill to the House by March 20 and that the report stage and third

and that the report stage and third reading will be completed on one

Mr Biffen said that in a spirit of Cooperation and reasonableness the Government was happy to accept an Opposition amendment which would allow the report stage and third reading to be debated up to midnight, rather than to 10pm.

He said that, like the Rates Bill for England and Wales, this measure would help ratepayers by penalizing local authorities which overspent.

Local authorities will still (he added) be free to decide rate levels within the limit. It will, however, protect ratepayers from exorbitant rate levels. It will also mean local authorities must consult non-dom-estic ratepayers before fixing rates. This will mean that local authorities vill be fully aware of the impact of

their proposed rates. their proposed rates.

For two years running, Scottish ratepayers had had to face rate increases of more than 30 per cent. The second part of the Bill made a series of changes to valuation legislation in Scotland by improving the structure of the system and

The standing committee had already debated the Bill for 82 heers and had considered only seven of the 17 clauses. There were also new clauses which had been put down The most contentious parts of the Bill ha been dealt with although

there were still important parts to be Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on Commons affairs (Bethnal Green and Stepney, Lab) said Mr Biffen had shown a

**Farmers** 

see need

for change

Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of

State for Wales, said during Commons question time exchanges

that he believed farmers understood

which large surpluses were being produced at excessive cost.

Asked by Mr Dafydd Wigley (Cacrnarfon, Pl C) for an assessment of economic prospects for farming in Wales, Mr Edwards said the measures needed to reduce surpluses and control public expendits.

pluses and control public expendi-

ture on agriculture were bound to affect farming incomes in Wales as

But (he added) I believe that Welsh farmers are well capable of

farmers are worried that the

agricultural and horticultural devel-opment scheme will not have a roll

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Bilk a failure to recognize its constitutional significance. They were talking about a fundamental change in the relation between central and local government, between the powers of Parliament and those of elected local councils.

Among the things they had learnt from this Bill were the practical effects of the transfer of rate-making effects of the transfer of rate-mating from the 65 major councils in Scotland to the Secretary of State. The Bill told them that the manpower implications were an additional 10 bureaucrats in New St Andrew's House in Edinburgh who would take over the functions of all those elected councillors.

No doubt he civil servants concerned in decision-making would be conscientious and able then and women; but it was ludicrous to imagine that they had the knowledge of the circumstances of the different councils throughout Scotland that the hundreds of elected councillors possessed. elected councillors possessed.

This measure was deeply opposed by the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities, who had some right to be taken seriously in their con-sidered opinion of the White Paper and the Bill based upon it. The Government was setting close to the abolition of local democracy. It was necessary to search far and wide to find any comparison with what the Government was introducing.

especially odd as well as objection-able was that progress in committee on the Bill had already been

He could find no explanation for this rush to impose a timetable and a closing date than the general tendency towards authoritarianism which had marked the first phase of the Prime Minister's second term of

Sir Hector Mouro (Dumfries, C) said it was obvious that the Oppostion, jollied along by members of the Liberal Party, had tried from the district the country of the countr from the start to drag out the proceedings as much as possible with the intention of preventing the administrative arrangements for 1985-86 beginning to take place within local authorities later this

may emerge even though this Government advocated a system

Mr Tem Hosson (Brecon and Radhnor, C): There is great satisfaction in the hill areas of Wales

at the success of the Government in

obtaining an extension of the less favoured areas definition.

Mr Edwards: 1 am sure the announcement that we have been successful in the negotiations on marginal land will be widely welcomed. It has been fought for

over a long period and it will make a considerable contribution once we

have been able to introduce the new

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Work

Mr Date Campbell-Savours (Work-ington, Lab): Should farming prospects in Wales be so dependent on the loss of historic sites as outlined in an article in The Guardian of last Friday in which The Guardian journalist bitterly

Wigley: People acted in

'the only way'

attacked the Secretary of State for

Wales for allowing uncommolled decimation of historic sites?

Will Mr Edwards answer the

accussations which were levelled in

Mr Edwards: There is no truth at all

in the suggestion that there is uncontrolled decimation of sites. The article is riddled with inaccur-

cies and there is certainly no truth

in the suggestion that farmers are profiting in this way. It is an absurd

evention and I repudiate it entirely

growing unease in the dairy sector

in Wales, especially among those dependent on the milk cheque from

40 to 50 beasts. Has he in mind any

major initiatives from his own

Mr Barry Jones, chief Opposition spokesman on Welsh affairs: There

that article?

the Argentines to invade the Western Isles so that they could get some proper funding from the British Government.

The powers of elected representa-tives were being eroded by the Bill. Councillors were going to be reduced to the job of rubber-stamping decisions from central govern-ment. He opposed the intention of cutting short debate on the Bill and would be voting against the

Government. Mr Michael Hirst (Strathkelvin and Bearsden, C) said the Bill had generated less correspondence to him than any other matter and the onlyh letters about it among his large correspondence were thos



Stewart: Invitation to Argentinians

expressing sorrow that the Govern-ment had not undertaken lock, stock and barrel reform of domestic

The Bill was essential to protect ratepayers from permicious rate rises and other benefits it would bring to Scotland. The Opposition was seeking to deny the people of Scotland that protection.

Mr Ernest Ross (Dundee West, Lab) said the Bill represented the rhetoric of a government that had done little to belp ratepayers in Scotland despited extravagant Behind the legislation lay the wish of the Government to weaken

Commons (2.30): Debate on Expediture White Paper. Lords (2.30): Housing and Building Control Bill, committee, second day. all levels of local government because it had no control over it.

There is a parallel between dairy farmers and those who distribute the milk. In the latter case there are many thousands of jobs ultimately Mr Edwards: I understand the

concern. I represent a large number of milk producers and I have been speaking extremely frankly to them about the changes I believe will be needed. They understand the need to deal

with the situation in which we produce surpluses at excessive cost.

I think a lot of them will be looking at their farming systems to see if they can reduce their own input

#### Tunnel under Severn will be considered

feasibility study to look into the building of a second Severn crossing would be announced in the not too distant future. Mr John Stradling Office, said during questions in the

He said he had received representations from the Welsh Office of the CBL other commercial interests and local authorities.

These clearly indicated a welcome for the study and he knew that these sentiments were widely shared in

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch, C): in view of the problems experienced with road bridges, such as the Hammersmith bridge, and the lack of problems with rail bridges, including the old one under the Severn, can I ask for two assurances: that a tunnel will be considered as a possible alternative to a bridge and f there is any possibility that the second crossing could be a rail crossing might not it be possible to combine road and rail in one

Mr Stradling Thomas: The terms of reference of the feasibility study are being drawn up with all speed and will be announced in the not too

With regard to a tunnel, that of course will be taken into consideration, I know Mr Adley's dedication to railways, and I commend him for it. All factors will be taken into eccount before a final decision is

Sir Raymond Gower (Vale of Glamorgan, C): Can he give an assurance that the terms of reference will be as wide as possible to embrace the alternatives mentioned by Mr Adley? Will they include the possibility of a barrage?

majority were not being realistic if they expected to get round guillotine motions of this kind simply by wasting time.

The Alliance view was that Bills

carly stage, instead of being guillotined at such a late stage with many clauses and amendments not being discussed at all.

Mr John Home Robertson (East

Lothian, Lab) said he made no apology for tabling probing and substantive amendments in the

standing committee. That was what the committee was for. What he found deplorable was the party that

had won only 28 per cent of the votes in Scotland had 61 per cent of

the seats on the committee, and these 10 Conservative backbenchers had maintained total silence

it was also deplorable that the two

most important clauses had been stage managed so that they were dealt with after midnight when there

Mr Gerald Majone (Aberdeen

South, C) said the Opposition were

south, C) said the Opposition were merely trying to impress their constituents they had the same macho image as their English counterparts. But blame for the guillotine lay with them because they had changed from a construc-tive approach to one that made the

Mr Michael Forsyth (Stirling C)

said there were many areas of the Bill, such as the valuation proposals,

which should be given more scrutiny. But it was important to get this legislation on the statute book as soon as possible, and it was

already having effects on local

and the amended motion carried by 280 votes to 178 - Government majority, 102.

Parliament today

The amendments were agreed to

vas none there to hear them.

Mr Stradling Thomas: I can assure him the terms of reference will be widely drawn. One proviso is that we do not wish to delay stating the terms of reference and so the idea of ability to generate electricity.

#### Wigley has proved himself 'rotten to core'

Those who tried to advance the cause of the Welsh language by denying free speech, as some did to the Socretury of State for Wales (Mr Nicholas Edwards) over the weekend, caused great harm to the cause they sought to serve and under-mined a great deal of the good will that existed towards the language, Ms Wys Roberts, Under Secretary of State for Wales, said at time in the Commons.

He was replying to Sir Anthony Meyer (Clwyd North West, C), who said that people calling for breaches of the law, like those who constrated their booligan Mr Edwards, the Secretary of State, did much to damage the cause of the Welsh language.

Mr Dafydd Wigley (Caemarfon, Pl C): After the Tory Government in 1979 broke its election pledge on the fourth channel the only way people could remind it of that promise was by refusing to buy a television

Would be repudiate what was said by two Conservative MPs this (Monday) morning that the £2m -the mere £2m - spent on the Welsh language is a waste of money? Is that the attitude of Tory backbench MPs in England?

Mr Roberts: The over £2m we are giving towards the Welsh language is four times as much as was given by the Labour Government whom he fully supported.

With regard to his other points, he has simply confirmed the opinion we already had that in supporting those who attacked Mr Edwards he has proved himself a bad egg and as rotten to the core as the Secretary of State.

before moving to the Yard in 1973. He joined the Metropoli-

tan Police as deputy assistant

commissioner in charge of traffic planning and moved through several postings in-

cluding personnel, the inspec-

torate and as deputy assistant commissioner in charge of number two police area.

it was in that role he was

# Commentary Geoffrey

become on the Conservative backbenches? It is hardly a good sign when the chairman of the 1922 Committee suggests that the Prime Minister should appoint a deputy and lighten her workload. Nor when such an expoerienced MP as Sir Kenneth Lewis argues, as he did in a powerful letter in The Times a week ago, that the Cheltenham episode is a watershed in the life of this Government. But is this criticism representative of opinion among Conservative members?

Smith

I doubt if it is at this stage, Certainly a number of Con-servative MPs are not only extremely disturbed by the way the Government has dealt with the GCHQ issue, but regard this as a sympton of a deeper malaise. They tend, though, to be either the more experienced

Natural justice of banana skin

There are those who have never in their heart agreed with the Thatcherite approach, and have been inclined to see each slide on a banana skin as evidence of natural justice. There are also those who have seen over the years how easily a government's authority can

They rejoiced in the victory of last June, but they felt instinctively that it was too good to last. They are probably more aware than their younger colleagues of the traps that lie in wait for even the most resolute of administrations.

However, I do not believe that these anxieties are yet the majority view in the Conservative parliamentary party. Is particular, they are not the view of most of the new members. They still have a certain thrill to find themselves on those green leather benches, they believe that they owe their presence there to Mrs Margaret Thatcher, they see themselves as foot soldiers or more probably junior officers in the army of a commander who is known above all for her negre determined that they will not ran at the first whiff of 27Rpeshot

Provided that the Govern ment is finally seen to have won the GCHQ episode, there are a good many Conservative MPs who will simply regard it with satisfaction as another victory over the unious. Even among those whose approach is more subtle there is quite a wide-spread disinclination to be too worried about the banana skins, because the causes of embarrassment are so different from each other that they are not thought to be much of an indication of the Government's. capacity.

None of this means, however, that the critics are wrong or that the unease will not grow. Politicians are usually more suggestible than the rest of us because they depend on elec-toral favour. They have to be sensitive to the public mood. So the more they read that the Conservative Party is in disarray the more they are likely to believe it - and therefore the more it is likely to be true. Moreover, it is among the more thoughtful members that one is lkely to find a recognition that

Government lacks political finesse

The connexion between the banan skins is a lack of political finesse. It is something that easily develops in a strong government that has been long in power, especially when it is facing a weak opposition. The need to explain and to judge the reactions of others in advance When things go politically

imagine that any coordinator could make up for deficiencies

#### Mr Beith: The procedures of the Self-policing professionals: 2

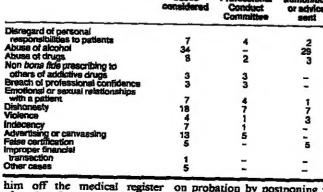
# Medical council tougher on sexual misconduct than treatment errors

In the second of a three part series, PETER EVANS. Home affairs Correspondent, examines moves to reform con the General Medical Counere cil. the cases it handles and the penalties available.

Sexual relations with a patient are more likely to get a Tot doctor into trouble with the wol General Medical Council Low (GMC) than wrong diagnosis or Mar treatment. Or, as Mr David treatment. Or, as Mr David Tench, legal officer of the Consumers Association, says: OP "A doctor is in real dead trouble nor if he puts his hand on the knee War of a family patient; but if he kills her by wrong diagnosis, in Arterns of professional misconduct he could well be in the

That is the serious charge we evelled against the council after so spearing, Labour MP for the Newham South, is planning to A Vewham South, is planning to niroduce a private member's Bill to reform the council's A case which dramatized the

wssue concerned a doctor's long xual relationship with a ent which resulted in him suspended from practis-



after pleas from the patient who was the complainant. A second doctor was admonished after he failed to give

appropriate treatment to two children, both aged two, who in a third case, a doctor was admonished, for failing to visit an elderly patient who later

The most serious punishment doctor can be given by the professional conduct committee is erasure from the register. It can also: suspend registration not more than 12 months make registration conditional on compliance with the GMC's secided not to strike requirements; place the doctor

on probation by postponing its decision: admonish the doctor

booklet. Professional Conduct:

The GMC admits in its

and conclude the case.

Fitness to Practice. The council is not ordinarily concerned with errors in diagnosis or treatment, or with matters which give rise to action in the civil courts for negligence, unless the doctor's conduct in the case has involved such a disregard of his professional responsibility to his patients or such a neglect of his pro-fessional duties as to raise a question of serious professional

The kind of case the council has regarded as most serious is

Minister in Lent clash unrepentant By Craig Seton Mr John Butcher, the minis-

ter criticized for his comment on the quasi-political pronouncements of clergymen, indicated yesterday that he would not give up provocative statements for Lent. Mr Butcher, Under-Secretary

political debate. He had also suggested that some clergymen should give up politics as their contribution to

but yesterday, on an official visit to Birmingham, he would not concede that his latest comments were a blunder.

He said: "Looking at the

Mr Butcher said on BBC

for Trade and Industry, upset clergymen and Labour policians by suggesting that some churchmen were in danger of being viewed with the cynicism usually reserved for politicians if they intervened too often in

Last year Mr Butcher issued an apology for implying that Northern people were workshy

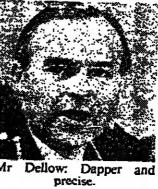
reactions, those of the clergy are much more measured and considered than those of the two or three dial-a-quote poli-ticians who really should do

Raido yesterday that the issue continued for 600 years - the role of the church and state and the church within the state (the Tomorrow: The Church | Press Association reports).

John Dellow, police com-mander at the Iranian embassy siege who headed the inquiry into Buckingham Palace security after the Fagan affair, is to take overall control of London detectives this month.

department, which has 3,400 officers. But the man who will direct

a Metropolitan Police officer for just over 10 years. In some ways Mr Dellow has been the high-flying backroom boy. Born in London, Mr Dellow joined the City of London force



#### Man in the news

# Siege chief to lead London's detectives

after working for Shell and

then in personnel selection with the RAOC during national service. Mr Dellow became an inspector in the City force before going to the police staff college at Bramshill Mr Dellow, aged 52, has been appointed assistant commissioner in charge of C He then joined the Kent force, rising from superintend-ent to assistant chief constable

groups such as the Flying Squad has spent much of his career in uniform and has been

thrust into the glare of publicity in the spring of 1980 at the Iranian embassy. He appeared a dapper, precisely spoken man with something of the air of the military officer in mufti about him; he was earlier the first police officer to attend military staff college, In 1982, Mr Dellow, assistant commissioner in charge of training and technical support.

investigated police failings at Buckingham Palace after Michael Fagan reached the Queen's bedroom. His report provided the basis for radical changes in the command

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wrong for a government it is customary to call for better coordinations in the presentation of its case. There is something in this although not, I suspect, so much as is often supposed. Lord Whitelaw of Penrith cannot be so well equipped for this task now that he is in the Lords as he would be if he were still in the Commons. He is not there to sense the cbb and flow of parliamentary opinion where it matters. But he is better suited tempermentally for this par-ticular job than Mr Biffen was. It is a mistake, though, to

in the political arts among danger for this government is that both in its composition and its approach it may be too heavily weighted towards administration and not enough towards politics.

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D'Aubuisson

named as

death squad

organizer From Nicholas Ashford

Attempts by the Reagan Administration to gain con-

gressional approval for in-

creased military and economic aid to El Salvador have been

further damaged by a series of fresh allegations directly impli-

cating senior Salvadorean

officials in acts of political

According to evidence pro-vided by a former Salvadorean

military officer to members of

ongress and also to The New

Fork Times, Senor Roberto

D'Aubuisson, a right-wing poli-tician, organized and continues

to direct the "death squads"

which have been responsible for

thousands of political assassinations. Schor D'Aubuisson is a

leading contender in the coun-

try's presidential election later

Among those killed on Señor D'Aubuisson's orders were Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero and Señor Mario

Zamora, a leading member of the Christian Democratic Party,

terrorism

his month.

# Mandela offered freedom if he will agree to live in Transkei

From Michael Hornsby Johannesburg

Mr Nelson Mandela, the rican National Congress the imprisonment for sabotage. could be set free if he agrees to ine in Transkei, one of South drica's four nominally indeendent, but internationally arecognized black tribal

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This claim had been made friends of the Mandela family, who say that Chief Kaiser Mantanzima, the President of the Xhosa-speaking Transkei, offered the deal to Mrs Winnie Mandela, the ANC leader's wife, at a meeting two weeks ago in Umtata, the Transkei capital.

mini-states.

week the man had a comment of the state of t Chief Matanzima is not of course, in a position to order Mr Mandela's release, but it us unlikely he would have made the offer without Pretoria's



Nelson Mandela: Rejected earlier freedom deals

A cousin of Mr Mandela, Chief Mantazima is believed to have made the same offer at least twice before in recent years.

Mr Mandela has always turned down release on these terms. It is understood that

Mrs Mandela will put the latest offer to her husband later this week on her regular monthly visit to the Pollsmoor Prison near Cape Town, where he is being held.

The rumours about Mr

Mandela, who is in his midsixties and had been in jail for 21 years, come less than a week after the release of Mr Herman Toivo ja Toivo, the veteran Namibian nationalist and cofounder of Swapo (the South West Africa People's Organization). Mr Toivo still had four years of a 20-year sentence for terrorism to run.

The Ministry of Justice

declined comment on the reports, but a spokesman for the Department of Prisons said that the release of Mr Mandela was "not under consideration". A spokesman for Chief Mantanzima did not deny the reports, but said such matters were confidential.

#### US 'manoeuvres' denounced

# Toivo comes out still fighting

From Eric Marsden, Windhoek

Now that he is free after 16 explained that the freed leader years in prison on Robben Island, Mr Herman Toivo, founder of the South West Africa People's Organization. hopes to travel abroad to plead

Swapo's imperilled cause.
If his request for travel documents succeeds, he may embark on a tour of the African front ine states whose support for Swapo and South Africa's banned African National Congress is wavering in the face of the peace initiative by Pretoria and Washington.

Mr Toivo, aged 59, made known his travel ambitions at a press conference in Windhoek; or rather they were made known for him by Swapo's "foreign secretary", Mr Nico

"cannot speak at this time on policy matters for Swapo, as we have had no time to talk".

When Mr Toivo started speaking for himself there seemed to be little reason for his alternative but to take up arms, and it was fighting still, he said.

He had kept up with the latest events while in prison. place at this moment between South Africa, the United States and others. They are doing it all specifically for the US election.

"They want to give credi-

America, and even to an extent in South Africa because con-structive engagement has got them nowhere. They are going to fail."

His outstanding memory of seemed to be little reason for his prison days was his close colleague's nervousness. His association with the ANC views were forthright. In the leaders, Mr Nelson Mandela, 1460s Swapo had had no and Mr Walter Sisulu. "We alternative but to take up arms, were one family together."

Explaining his four-hour attempt to resist release in Windhock prison last Thrusday, There are manocurres taking Mr Toivo said he had finally accepted his freedom after being told that "whether I want to be released or not, the order has been signed and nothing can be done". He had earlier asked to-

#### Zimbabwe's white exodus grows

country declined, according to Government statistics.

presumed to be white, comnighest yearly emigration figure

left.
Although most of Zimbabwe is peaceful, reports of dissident violence in the south appears to have discouraged tourists. The Last year 19,067 people left decline in visitors to 298.041 Zimbabwe, virtually all of them last year from 351.046 in 1982 is a significant setback to the pared with 17,942 in 1982. The country's tourist industry, which had counted on a steady

The number of whites here reached a peak of about 270,000 when it was white-ruled Rhodesia in the 1960s, dwindled to an estimated 200,000 at independent of the need for private schools issue, and provide the formula of the number of whites here reached a peak of about 270,000 when it was white-ruled Rhodesia in the 1960s, dwindled to an estimated 200,000 at independent of the number of whites here reached a peak of about 270,000 when it was white-ruled Rhodesia in the 1960s, dwindled to an estimated 200,000 at independent of the number of whites here reached a peak of about 270,000 when it was white-ruled Rhodesia in the 1960s, dwindled to an estimated 200,000 at independent of the number of whites here reached a peak of about 270,000 when it was white-ruled Rhodesia in the 1960s, dwindled to an estimated 200,000 at independent of the number of sia in the 1960s, dwindled to an estimated 200,000 at independence in 1980, and is now to be just above



In the aftermath at Versailles

on Sunday of the biggest

demonstration in France since

the "events" of May, 1968, the

Government and the Roman Catholic Church got back to

work yesterday to thrash out a

compromise acceptable for their

school system.

quished in this battle.

Marshal Ustinov gave Mrs Gandhi a message from Mr Konstantin Chernenko, the Soviet Defence Minister, who arrived here yesterday with a Soviet leader, whom she met in 70-strong delegation, met Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Moscow at Mr Andropov's funeral. At the airport, flanked by top military officials, includ-ing Admiral S. G. Gorshokov, Prime Minister, to discuss political and military relations

Ustinov said Indo-Soviet friendship and cooperation has been very good, useful, and it is needed"

He made special mention of the Indo-Soviet pact signed in August, 1971, a few months before the Bangladesh war. "Our cooperation has really

Church and state seek peace with honour

Schools dialogue resumes in France

be said. Mr R. Vekataraman cooperation with India.

India's Defence Minister, who received the marshal at the airport, said that the marshal's visit so soon after the changes in the Soviet leadership indicated the importance Russia attached to their relations and

according to the evidence.
Señor D'Aubuisson, who heads the right-wing National Republican Alliance party, was planning to visit Washington this week but US officials said the former Salvadorian Army major had been denied a visa. Other prominent Salvado-

rean officials who are said to be directly implicated in death squad activities include Colonel Nicola's Carranza, chief of the Treasury Police, and General José Guillermo García, the former Defence Minister.

General Eugenio Vides Casa-nova. the Defence Minister, is accused of personally directing a cover-up of the murder of four

American nuns in 1980. Señor D'Aubuisson and General Casanova have both denied the charges. Señor Alvaro Magana, the country's provisional President, said at the weekend that he had no evidence that Senor D'Aubuisson was continuing to direct the death squads.

The officer responsible for providing this damning information has served at the highest level of the Salvadorean security police. He has not been named because of fear of

reprisal. The reason why he had decided to speak out was because he feared that "uncontrollable violence" would consume El Salvador if Señor D'Aubuisson - whom he described as an "anarchic psychopath" President was elected

#### bility to the Reagan Adminis- be sent back to Robben Island Bessinger, who answered sev- tration because it has failed in until all his comrades could be eral questions for him and Lebanon. Central and South freed with him.

Harare (AFP) - The number of white emigrants from Zim-babwe rose last year while the number of tourists visiting the

was in 1981 when 20,534 people increase in business after the

end of the war for majority rule in 1980.

supporters on the future of the predominantly Catholic, private change his tune when he said that he believed no further concessions should be made. Both sides seem anxious to and that it should not be only each a quick settlement of this the Government which sought highly contentious issue, which reconciliation and rapprochhas created deep and bitter divisions in French society over M Pierre Mauroy, the Prime the past three years. But both Minister, spoke about the need

industrial and economic fronts,

without engaging in another battle on the educational front.

Yesterday, however, com-

menting on the estimated 600,000 to 800,000 demon-

strators who massed in Ver-sailles to defend "freedom of

education", M Jospin seemed to

sides are equally anxious not to appear to have lost face. There for each side to "make the step toward the other", but went on to make clear that the Governmust be no victors or van-M Lionel Jospin. First Secment had no intention of giving retary of the Socialist Party. way on the two most hotly contested proposals "limiting parental choice of private provoked a flurry of excited readlines proclaiming an immischools to schools within a specified catchment area; and giving teachers in private schools the right to enter into a contract with the state, thereby suggested that the Government had enough on its hands at present with the battle on the acquiring job security an other

privileges. There are about 10,000

teachers appointed by the Church, but paid for by the state. The state (or local authority) also pays for most of the running costs. Private schools in France are not the same as independent schools in Britain. They are not so exclusive, not so divisive

private schools in France catering for two million chil-

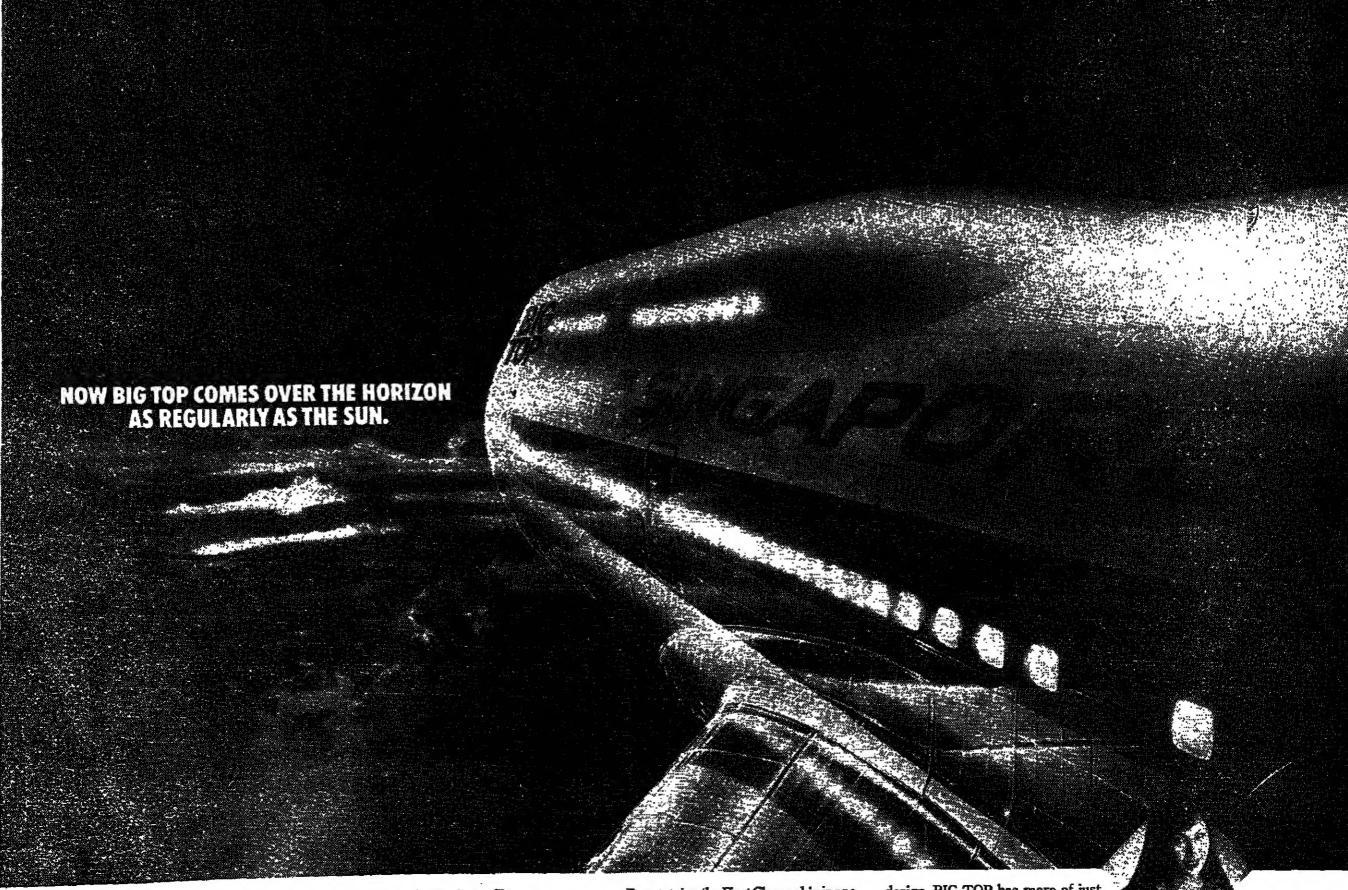
socially, not nearly so expensive (fees are often no more than £50 a term, although they can rise to £300 or more) and often not so good academically as the best of the British public schools. They are in many ways nearer our voluntary-aided Church schools in the state sector. Parents send their children to

private schools not so much for religious or even academic reasons (the schools vary tremendously in standard), but ecause they believe the discipline is better, the quality of appoint their own teachers.

teaching higher, moral stan-dards given more importance, and most of all because they dren, representing 15 per cent of the total school population. The have the right to choose the vast majority (93 per cent) are school they want. There is no Roman Catholic (there are no Catholic schools in the state choice for parents of pupils in system), run by the Church with When President Mitterrand

came to power in May, 1981, he promised as one of his "110 propositions" to introduce "a single, large, unified, and secular national education system". However, the unexpected force of the opposition to such a "nationalization" of private schools soon persuaded the socialists to drop the insistence on the "secular" part, and to modify its ideas on unification.

The first set of proposals, brought out by M Alain Savary, the Education Minister, in December, 1982, would have allowed private schools to keep their "special character" in relation to their religious and intellectual activities, but would have integrated them into the state sector and deprived them of their all-important right to



SIA, the only airline flying Stretched Upper Deck 747s from Heathrow to Singapore and Australia, will now be operating BIG TOP every single day of the week. Inside, it has an upstairs deck which is

twice the size of a normal 747s. And which

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Outsider becomes front-runner in democratic presidential race

# Mondale fears further setback in Vermont as Hart poll lead grows

Washington
Having been made to eat
humble pie twice in less than a week, first in New Hampshire and now in Mains, Mr Walter Mondale faces the prospect of further humiliating defeats at the hand of his young upstart rival, Senator Gary Hart.
Today Vermont holds its primary election which al-

though non-binding, will help to maintin Senator Hart's present momentum if he achieves his expected victory there. Simi-larly the caucuses which Wyoming holds on Saturday are also likely to add to the Colorado senator's aura of success.

This will leave Senator Hart in a far stronger position than would have been thought possible two weeks ago to run a close race with Mr Mondale in all of the nine state which hold their primaries and caucuses on "Super Tuesday", March 13.

Before Senator Hart scored his upset victory in New Hampshire a week ago, Mr Mondale's campaign staff had hoped the former Vice-President would consolidate his claim to the party's presidential nomination by winning most, if not all, the "Supr Tuesday"



have shattered that prospect.
According to a new poll published by the Boston Globe, Mr Mondale is now trailing Senator Hart by 41 per cent to 29 per cent in Massachusetts, one of the key Super Tuesday states. Nor can Mr Mondale's States Nor can be included ascendancy in the three backing of the entire state party Southern states which vote on March 13 – Florida, Georgia and Alabama – be taken for contain his give at having the state of the contain his give at having the state of the contain his give at having the state of the st

granted any more. Conceding that "I am in trouble, I need help", Mr Mondale tried to play down the significance of the Maine result where he was narrowly defeated

cent of the votes counted compared with 43.7 per cent for Mr Mondale. The other three candidates still in the race attracted only a smattering of Only 16,481 votes were cast

wrong to draw too many conclusions from such a small

Claiming that he has "come from behind" in Maine, Mr Mondale said the narrowness of the result there showed that his new strategy of attacking Senator Hart on issues was begin-

ning to pay off.
However, Mr Mondale's remarks deliberately ignored the fact that he had entered the Maine race as the clear favour-ite, had outspent Senator Hart 10-1 and had the all-out

contain his glee at having unseated Mr Mondale from his front-runner position for a second time when both candidates attended a Democratic Party Dinner in Boston on Sunday night. "We may have brought a political juggernaut to its knees," he declared. Some of his remarks were so

of boos from among the dinner guests. To his credit, Mr Mondale maintained a stiff upper lip "We are going to lose some more but we are now (less than 5 per cent of the starting to gain momentum state's registered Democrats every day," he remarked.

# Democrats court black vote

has swung south to Dixie, of New Hampshire and Maine, towards the beat of black it is where Mr Walter Mondale political revivalism. hands that once picked cotton

A black man is campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination, but with a selfconscious irony large numbers have not endorsed him. By backing a white man they have a chance of victory: by backing the Rev Jesse Jackson they would have none.

Blacks are the most consistently loyal group within the Democratic Party, particularly in presidential elections where they provide 20 to 22 per cent of the democratic vote total. No matter that the Republicans, the party of Lincoln, abolished slavery: since the New Deal only those deeming themselves to be more middle-class than

black voters voted Republican. With 90 per cent of black votes destined for the Democrats, the South is critical to a would-be Democratic President. lts importance increases with every tiny advance in black political involvement, with very new black voter regis-

Minister is

forced out

in Spanish

scandal

From Richard Wigg Madrid

Señor Andrés Hernández, the Chief Minister of Murcia.

one of Spain's autonomous

regious, has resigned after a scandal over an aide attempting to bribe two journalists.

It is the first political

scandal to break since the

Scalalist Party won power 15 mouths ago nationally and followed up with victory in many of the country's 17 new

itonomous regions. Señor Hernández has also

announced his intention to resign as secretary-general of the local party.

Murcia Socialists opened an

investigation yesterday to es-tablish whether the money

allegedly used to corrupt the journalist had come from party

Armed with bank statements

showing a payment in their favour of more than £2,000 to support their allegations two

reporters of the Murcia news-

paper La Verdad (The Trath) have alleged that the regional party's financial secretary ar-

ranged the deal to persuade

them "to leave Andrés in The newspaper then published the story and court

proceedings began against the aide. La Verdad criticized an

negotiated a draft treaty to settle the Beagle Channel dispute, an

issue that brought them to the brink of war in 1978, Argentine

Foreign Ministry sources said

Delegation leaders would

s; the signing of a formal

ow return home from the tican to brief their Govern-

The road to the White House tration drive. After the shocks must hold his ground. If he

stumbles here, it could be disastrous for him. Alabama, Florida and Georgia hold their primaries on "Super Tuesday" next week, together with two other state primaries and five caucuses. Mr Mondale's Southern machine hums with expensive precision. a Rolls-Royce compared with Mr Jackson's rattling Chevy.
"In those three states I am well
known", Mr Mondale said. "I

man from Minnesota. Hardly a dime of Jackson election money is in the South. His campaign here operates from college campuses, from front parlours, from the pulpits of black churches. His managers believe he packs such an emotional punch in the South that he does not need to bring the entourage along. Besides, he

am part Georgian", added the

cannot afford to. mobilize the black vote that makes the South so unpredictable. Mr Mondale has the backing of many large black

opinion polls Mr Jackson has

Only three months ago the South looked as if it were the domain of Senator John Glenn, who waited leisurely to ambush Mr Mondale, in the Southern Primaries. Bur Mr Mondale. astride his mightly election machine, seems to have passed smoothly by.

As for Senator Gary Hart, he is not campaigning assiduously either in Alabama or Georgia where he is not well known. The Atlanta Journal said it all: South Doesn't know what to make of Hart". For Mr Mondale, that is wonderful

Pundits have coined the phrase "The fairness issue" in discussing the reaction of poor people, including blacks, to White House policies. But more than policies, there are important perceptions among blacks -perceptions like Mr Reagan's lukewarm support for making Martin Luther King's birthday a national holiday, like the budge cuts hitting severely at welfare programmes, like the scarcity of blacks in the higher echelons of

# Dilemma for Polish bishops

# Outspoken priests cause church rift

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

After the declaration of martial law two years ago, the parishioners of Ursus used to peared on the television screen, and ostentatiously promenade around the brokendown Warsaw suburb.

Sometimes they would end up in St Joseph's church were some of their unspoken thoughts about the Government would be voiced by Father Mieczyslaw Nowak, not the fiery "turbulent" priest one fiery "turbulent" priest one expects but a rather unworldly

man with a heart complaint.
Father Nowak, as a lowly curate, guided the Ursus community through the darkest days of martial law. His personal allegiance to the ideals of the banned trade union Solidarity was never in doubt and he soon won the trust of the Ursus tractor workers whose factory was one of the first to be

"militarized".

The troubles began quietly, gathering pace over the two years to present the Catholic Church with its current storm. Cardinal Jozef Glemp, the Primate, has decided to "pro-mote" Father Nowak to a parish a long, bumpy two-hour drive away from Ursus where his controversial Masses for the Fatherland, his stinging criticarlier decision by the Mucia administration to increase the salaries of senior officials and cism of the restricted political liberties in Poland, will fall on the ears of a handful of farmers

members of the government this year by 17 per cent, exceeding the guidleines set by the Madrid Government for the rather than the volatile workers of Ursus. The result in Ursus was a hunger strike - now suspended until the Primate returns from Two weeks ago Señor Rafael Escuredo, the Chief Minister of South America in 10 days time - and a minor propaganda coup for the Jaruzelski Government. neighbouring Andalusia, also resigned after disagreements with Madrid over agrarian reform and the extent of his For once, the problem in Poland seemed to be not about Church-State but Church-

Beagle Channel deal negotiated

Buenos Aires (Reuter) - The vatican ha been mediating offshore waters to Chile. Argentina and Chile have between Argentina and Chile time will have invited in

between Argentina and Chile for five years to solve the dispute over several small islands each country claims in the Beagle Channel at the southern tip of South America. A breakthrough followed the

A breakthrough followed the

end of military rule in Argentina and democratic elections in

was only a matter of time. disputed islands and 12 miles of

The draft treaty grants all the

Father Nowak's case is typical of the problems facing radical, often virulently antieave their homes as soon as the communist priests with indus-

mendacious evening news ap-peared on the television screen, and ostentatiously promenade persuasion with the workers: price rises, a new wage system that may well hurt average earnings, critical consumer shortages, a propaganda of sacrifice. In these worker centres - Ursus, the Huta

Warszawa steelworks, the Nowa Huta steel complex, the Gdansk and other Baltic shipyards, the engine plant in Poznan, the light engineering works in Radom - there are invariably priests who sympathize with Solidarity, who are preaching sermons of "faith through "feering".

The priests involved tel, their

superiors that they are interpreting the Christian message in the way that is most appropriate for Poland. In Ursus, for example, the wife of an underground leader, Mr Zbigniew Janas, was

- according to her own testimony - beaten up by policemen who were looking for her husband. There was anger in the community about this and it was Father Nowak's task not to ignore the anger but to channel it. His sermons have been taperecorded for a year or more by

the secret police and, his parishioners say, his contacts have been monitored. The next step of the authorities is usually to issue a warning either to the Episcopate warning either to the Episcopate or to the local Bishop. It is then that a tricky problem of Church-State relations becomes a Curch-Church problem. Often the radical priest has difficult relations with his superior - in Father Novak's case with his parish priest, in Father Henryk Jankowski's case with Bishop Lech Kaczmarek of Gdansk

tina will have jurisdiction over

offshore waters in the Atlantic

In Santiago, Chilean Foreign Ministry sources said the

negotiators had made signifi-

cant progress

He added that although the

Vatican talks had produced agreement on substantive issues

there might still be other points

# Kohl presses Reagan for an early summit

Winning smile: Senator Hart at a Democratic Party dinner

in Boston also attended by Mr Mondale

Chemicals test on

Iranian's body

A 17-year-old Iranian soldier we can say is that all the

suffering from burns induced by chemicals." All the tests his hospital had carried out had

Experts in West Germany

and Britain had been contacted because the hospital had little

experience of burns caused by

In London yesterday, the Foreign Office called in Iran's acting Charge d'Affaires, Mr Abolghassem Mokhtari, to deny

again allegations that Britain

had sold chemical weapons to

Hay, a lecturer in chemical

pathoogy at the University of

Leeds, the Iraqis may have been

employing mustard gas, first used on Allied troops at Ypres

in 1917. "It is still held in large

quantities by the US, the Soviet Union and France", he told *The* Times, "and the Iraqis could have manufactured it them-

selves. It would not be terribly

Western intelligence on the war is said to be poor. Major Bob Eliot, of the International

According to Mr Alastair

proved negative.

died yesterday in Stockholm's patients in our charge are Karolinska hospital of burns suffering from burns induced by

and poisoning apparently caused by chemical weapons in

the early phase of Iran's current

offensive against Iraq. The dead

soldier, whose name was not

disclosed, was one of five flown

to Sweden on Sunday for treatment. Another 10 were

flown to Vienna. All! suffered

from mild to severe burns on

their bodies and some had

Shortly before the soldier died, the Karolinska Hospital

said suspicions that the wounds

were of chemical origin had

greatly increased. Tests were

specialist at Uppsola University

red and white blood cells

detected in two of the patients

might be due to toxic agents affecting the bone marrow.

Doctors at both hospitals emphasized that it was difficult

to establish exactly what sub-stance has caused the injuries.

At Vienna General Hospital, Dr Ernst Wollner, head of the second surgical clinic, said: "All

Dr Anders Hedland, a

being carried out on his body.

inflamed lunes.

German Chancellor, who wants mit meeting, yesterday met President Reagan here for talks on East-West relations and international economic and

Herr Kohl has made it clear that a resumption of the US-Soviet arms control talks should

on November 6. quickly to the separate inter- for propaganda purposes.

From Mohsin Ali, Washington Herr Helmut Kohl, the West mediate Range Nuclear Forces (INF) negotiations and the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (Start) in Geneva. The Soviet an early resumption of the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks nuclear arms control nego-tiations and a US-Soviet sum-Union broke off the INF negotiations in November after Nato started to deploy American cruise and Pershing 2 missiles in West Europe, and in December it indefinitely suspended the Start conference.

In a television interview here not be held up until after the on Sunday, Herr Kohl favoured American presidential election an early meeting between an early meeting between President Reagan and Mr Konstantin Chernenko, the new In January President Reagan Konstantin Chernenko, the new toned down his anti-Soviet Soviet leader, but emphasized rhetoric and has repeatedly that it must be prepared called on the Kremlin to return carefully and must not be held

# Scrapping of accord with Israel hastens partition of Lebanon

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

controversial Israel-Lebanon accord came as a bitter blow to the Government of Mr Yitshak Shamir which had earlier trumpeted it as one of the main achievements of the Lebanon

An Immediate result was to increase tension between Israel and Syria and lead many analysts to speculate that the abrogation would hasten the de facto partition of Lebanon into distinct spheres of influence answerable either to Jerusalem or Damascus.

Senior Israeli officials have served warning that the scrap-ping of a freely negotiated agreement - Israel's second with an Arab country - would have a deleterious effect on future afternots to secure accords between Jews and Arabs. "How can we tell now that any agreement we negotiate will not also be scrapped after a few months under Syrian threats", one said,

Sone observers believe that the Government will use the collapse of the agreement to resist any future American efforts to try to persuade it to negotiate a territory-for-peace accord with Jordan over the ocuupied West Bank.

Mr Shimon Peres, the leader of the Labour opposition, was quick to follow the Beirut decision with a repeat of his earlier call for an early pull-out of all Israeli troops from southern Lebanon.

The Government however. has made clear it will not heed any such demands. Mr Shamir used the opportunity of Leba-non's declaration of the 1983 accord as "null and void" to ssue a diatribe against the regime of President Assad of Israeli ministers are highly Syria, which he accused of sceptical that anything worth-blocking effort to enlarge the circle of peace in the Middle has no soldiers to send to the

The cancellation of the began to take violent action to achieve its abrogation," the Prime Minister said. "Syria forced the Lebanese Government to surrender to its dicates. which means a death sentence for Lebanon's independence and its sovereignty. Israel strongly condemns Syria intervention and the abrogation."

After emphasizing US in-

volvement in negotiating the agreement and its initial approval by what he described as an "overwhelming majority" of the Lebanese Parliament. Mr Shamir said that because Lebanon was now incapable of fulfilling its international obligations and of preventing south Lebanon becoming a terrorist base again, Israel would now "determine the best ways of ensuring its security". These were not spelled out in detail, though they have been debated

at length in practice, the Israelis are expected to sanction a further retreat southwards

Many observers believe that the Cabinet may now feel freer to press ahead with moves to try to cut down further on Israel's heavy casualty toll, Already 15 Jewish soldiers have been injured in southern Lebanon this week.

Mr Sharmir said that Israel would continue to show friend-ship towards the Lebanese Christian community although in practice the supply of Israeli weaponry to the Christians in the north could dry up as Syria's influence in that area is further strengthened.

Although there have been recent low-level contacts with the Gemayel Government about possible alternative security arrangements in the south, south", one Government source

"Immediately after the sign-said. "He is almost a carica-ing of the agreement. Syria ture."

# What the treaty said

for the withdrawal of all Israeli troops from Lebanon, the latious" between the two countries, the free movement of people and goods across their common border, and security measures to prevent guerrilla atacks against Israel from southern Lebanon.

Its 11 pages carried 27 extra pages of annexes which speci-fied the troops that Lebason would be permitted to maintain in the south and detailed joint security arrangments between

The treaty did not say that Syria would have to withdraw

its Army at the same time as the Israelis. This stipulation was contained in a separate agreement between the United States and Israel in which the Lebanese Government was not involved The agreement provided for

the enrolment of pro-Israeli militias into the Lebanese army and for a liaison committee with representatives from Is-rael, Lebanon and the United States to resolve disputes.



Wall-power: A mixed reception for the posters of Ayatoliah Khomeini now appearing all over West Beirut.

# Free French stirs up the bigots

Trevor Fishlock in Canada



Last year nine prisoners in Canadian jails complained officially that wardens could ont speak to them in French. It takes time for the vision of a bilinqual Canada to take hold in every institution and, for the time being, porridge is not as French-flavoured as it might

Bilingualism is the way la which Canada seeks to wash the grit from its eye. It is part noble ideal, part practical remedy for the French-English friction that grew in the 1970s to be Canada's greatest crisis, and almost tore the country

The grit is persistent, of course. The papers are full of language stories. While bili-gualism is part of Canadian identiy, so is the argument about it.

In Manitoba there is an ugly outbreak of red-neckery over "this Freuchin' business", and But he was angered when the the local Tory opposition is cynically harnessing phobias and rupturing the democratic process to get into power. Tolerance has decamped and the mountles are having to guard those who have received murder threats for espoasing

Bilingualism, underpinned by the law, aims to make Canada whole by recognizing the equality of the the two founding cultures enabling the citizen to choose his language in his dealings with the federal

Air Canada, for example, has signs on its counters announcing it is pleased to serve you in the language of yours choice. Official forms and sign are bilingual, and so is the packaging of many goods in the shops. Much has been done, but there is still much to

Mr Pierre Trudeau fought separatism by persuading Quebecers that their destiny lay in Canada. He won against separatists who argued that Parti Québecois Government made French paramount, the only offical language, and wiped English from the streets; it was a negation of the

bilingual idea.

The changes wrought in Quebec over the past 20 years are profound. As anglophone Quebecer said: "The French Canadian has joined Canada. You have to know what it was like here to know how much has been done.
"When I was a boy I was

amazed that a man who came to paint our house spoke English. In those days workmen were French-speakers. Today francophones are not second-class. Some English speakers gripe, but there has been a revol-

Thousands of anglophones have deicded that bilingualism is part of being Canadian, and educate themselve and their children in French.

Se far so good. But in Manitoba a protest over a parking ticket has grown into a

1.400

started when a lawyer refused to pay a fine because his ticket was in English only.

He cites a Supreme Court ruling of 1979 that Manitoba had acted illegally in 1890 when it abolished an Act The ruling cast doubts on the validity of every law passed by the Manitoba Government To avert constitutional cates-

trophe, and the huge expense of translating every law, the New Democratic Party Government wants to get into bilingual line and offer basic French services The rub is that Manitoba

has only a 6 per cent French-speaking population. There is a furious backlash among the majority, rooted in western resentment of Ottawa, and of French Canadians, old-fashioned backwoods bigotry

Some Quebecers are saying:
"We told you so", and all
Canada is watching this acid
test of the Canadian ideal. It has the markings of dangerous

#### Rabbi and wife are expelled by Russia

Moscow (Renter) - Two British tourists have been expelled from Leningrad for conducting Zionist activities bringing to six the number of visitors ordered out of the city in the past month, according to

Rabbi Ingram Howard and his wife Judith from Newcastle were expelled after they began visiting the homes of Soviet Jews who maintained contact with "foreign Zionist centres" ture, the agency said. It added that the couple had already been warned after Zionist materials were seized from the they arrived at Leningrad

Last mouth a London couple and two men from New York were expelled from Leningrad for similar offences. Two other Britons and two Americans

Tass said the expulsions followed increased activity by Western Zionist centre whose agents used the guise of tourists to stir up "nationalist feeling" among citizens and spread standerous information.

#### Family killed

Modane. France (AP) - A Turkish family of four was struck and killed by a train while attempting to enter France illegally through the Frejus Tunnel from Italy. The two adults and two children

#### Stalin's friends



Paris (AfP) - Albania - alone in the Communist world commemorated the thirty-first anniversary of the death of Stalin. Conferences were orga-nized on his life and work and on his "inflexible battle for freedom, democracy and peace".

#### Wall of ice

Moscow (AFP) - A series of earthquakes and violent snowstorms in Tadzhikistan have which had not moved for more than 20 years, Tass reported. It is blocking the course of a river with a wall of ice.

#### Korea air link

Seoul (Renter) - Britain and South Korea signed an agreement to provide direct air links between London and Scout Me Paul Channon, Minister for Trade, signed on behalf of Britain.

#### Fatal flight

the pilot were killed when a single-engine Cessna crashed here after a sightseeing flight round this Baltic port.

#### Drugs haul

San Juan, Puerton Rico (Reuter) - Thirty-three crew members were charged with drug offences after the US Coastguard discovered 22 tonnes of marijuana on board four ships in the Caribbean. One vessel was reported to be British.

#### Andes raid

Lima (Reuter) - Sendero Luminoso guerrillas killed three policemen and wounded four others in an attack on a police post in the Peruvian Andes. They escaped with uniforms

#### Agca verdict

Istanbul (AFP) - A turkish military court ruled against in absentia of the convicted terrorist, Ali Agea, now serving a life sentence in Italy for the attempted assassination of the Pope. He is already under sentence of death in Turkey for the murder of a journalist.

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#### Sailor killed

Georgetown, Guyana (Reuter) - A South Korean sailor was killed when a Guyanese patrol boat fired on one of three foreign trawlers in its territorial waters. Guyanese troops boar-

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Revolution under the American lash

# Perfect launch of **Ariane boosts** challenge to space shuttle

Paris (Reuter) - The European Space Agency Ariane rocket reaffirmed its claim as a serious contender in the boomserious contender in the boom-ing commercial space market yesterday when perfect launch put the world's biggest civilian telecommunication satellite

into orbit.
The 137ft rocket blasted off from its launch pad in the French Guiana jungle on schedule at 00.50 GMT, and afterwards a jubilant agency official at the tracking station at Evry, near Paris, said: "Superb. The best ever launch. No breaks, no incidents, the countdown was perfect."
About 16 minutes after lift-

off the 4,100th Intelsat V/F8 orbiter, capable of handling 12,000 simultaneous telephones calls and two colour television channels, separated from the rocket. It will be pushed into a lixed orbit 115 miles above the

carth over the next few days.

The launch was the eighth in the Ariane series, and followed last October's successful launch of another V-series orbiter for the Washington-based Inter-national satellite Telecommunications Organization.

Yesterday's launch delighted Furopean Space Agency officials because they were able to use the first of three available "windows" in space, unlike last October, when a technical hitch delayed attempts to hit the first

Ariane's success comes soon after the failure of the two satellites launched by the last US space shuttle mission last

Mr Daniel Mujnier, the deputy technical director of the Ariane launch programme, said: "Now it has become a routine for us. We have acquired the industrial technique".

A spokesman for Airianespace, the commercial organiza-tion set up to market Ariane as a commercial launcher on behalf of the 11-nation European Space Agency, said they now had a firm order book 6.1 billion francs (£508m). This represents 27 satellites

for 14 different clients, and 40 per cent of them are outside Europe. We also have reservations for 18 satellites up to Ariane's next launch will be

in May, when it will put up the cations satellite for a private Airiane III rocket will put two

satellites into orbit at once, both

for European customers. Leading article, page 15

#### Opposition pulls out of **Bangladesh elections**

Dhaka (Reuter) - Opposition Shaikh Hasina Wazed and attempts to disrupt rural elections called by the Bangladesh military Government gathered momementum yesterday when election authorities announced the withdrawal of 499 candi-

The two main alliances of bodies" and declared that March 24, the proposed date for the polls, would be "black day". The alliances said the num-

her of withdrawals would have been much begger if candidates had not been prevented from taking back their papers. They said that in many centres guards refused to let candidates enter

clection offices. Abdul !!

The opposition, headed by League...

Begum Khaleda Zia, have called for a boyxott of the rural elections, saying they would create a new power base for the military ruler. President Hossain Muhammad Ershad.

They said the elections were designed to delay a transition to opposition parties announced at democracy and frustrate other the weekend that elections opposition demands, including would be held "over our dead the holding of parliamentary the holding of parliamentary elections before the rural polls.

Leader held: Police have arrested Mr Rafiqul Islam, a leader of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party and its publicity secretary (AFP report). Another two prominent alliance politicans are reported to have been held: Shah Azizur Rahman of the BNP and Mr Abdul Mannan of the Awami



Peasant progress: Cooperative agrarian reform is the cornerstone of the Sandinista policy to rebuild the country.

# Marxist recipe for economic recovery

"I see discontent every-where", says Comandante of the Revolution Jaime Wheelock, Nicaragua's Minister for Agrarian Reform, whose task of transforming the countryside lies at the very heart of the Sandinista revolution.

After the insurrection which toppled the Somozas regime in 1979, the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN) found an alarming situation. Small farms of less than 17 acres accounted for 40 per cent of all properties but only two per cent of the land, while larger estates of more than 860 acres accounted for just two per cent of properties yet occupied 47 per cent of the land.

Some of the worst social consequences have been partly alleviated: a 12 per cent mortality rate has been reduced to nine per cent, and 60 per cent illiteracy (68, per cent in the countryside) has been slashed to 12 per cent.

As well as the ravages of an earthquake and a war, the tras" last year, 75 per sandinistas inherited a shat- from the cooperatives.

In the second of two articles on Nicaragua. Alan. Tomlinson in Managua examines the precarious state of the economy.

"I see discontent every—ments in excess of total export and a flight of comits! earnings, and a flight of capital to Miami which left only \$3.5m in reserves

"It is difficult to be content in country that has been destroyed", says Comandante Wheelock, "We have had two national disasters and all within the context of an international economic crisis and aggression from no less a power than the United States.

"But it is one thing to be discontented and another to be against the revolution. The people are aware of what is going on. They understand and they know that we will solve the US hostility has not only cost

Nicaragua American aid and a great deal of international credit, but has unleashed upon country an armed counterrevolution, the main target of which has been the 3,500 farming cooperatives set up since the revolution. Of 473 campesinus killed by the "Contras" last year, 75 per cent were

Export earning last year of planning of maize for domestic \$400m were dwarfed by an consumption alongside cotton import bill roughly twice as

Agrarian reform is the cornerstone not just of any hopes that Nicaragua has of emerging from economic catastrophe but also the Sandinastas' hopes of maintaining grass roots support among peasants and workers.

Confiscated land has been redistributed as state farms, and also as private cooperatives and individual plots served centrally with machinery, technical advise and irrigation projects. But land ownership for the peasants has brought its own headaches, reducing the seasonally-unemployed workforce which traditionally harvested the dollar-earning coffee and cotton crops.

Conscription of up to 40,000 peasants into the militias to fight the contras has exacerbated the problem. Estimates put the lost harvest at between 20 and 40 per cent.

"At the centre of our agricultural strategy is irri-gation", says Comandante: Wheelook, "With 40,000 hectares (98,000 acres) of our flat lands irrigated and year-round

for export we can feed the

This year Nicaragua will invest \$300m in agriculture. more ethan any other country in the region. But last December two of its immediate neighbours, plus Colombia and Mexico, virtually ceased doing business with the Sandinistas after they failed to stump up a single dollar to settle their biennial accours.

The country lives a precarous hand-to-mouth existence. Oil industry sources say stocks of lubricants may run out within weeks, bringing the nation to a

When a textile plant ground to a halt through lack of foreign exchange to replace worn fibre cogs, an imaginative worker made some by melting down plastic drainpipes. But when an engineer, responding to the same national campaign to encourage innovation, kept an aircraft in service by cannibalizing whatever was to hand the plane crashed, killing a senior government official and 14 others on board

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# line on Nicaragua

From Martha Honey San José, Costa Rica

Despite an official policy of neutrality. Costa Rica is yellding to pressure from conservathe US to take a hard line against neighbouring Nicaragua and to ease restrictions on anti-Saudinista guerrilla activities. A Nicaraguan mortar attack inside Costa Rica two weeks ago, has given an excuse for the authorities to whip up anti-Nicaraguan sentiments and to remove an official who had

ary Alliance). Over the past week officials have turned a blind eye to the presence in San Jose of two top presence in San Jose of .... Arde commanders – Eden Fernando "El Pastora and Fernando "El Negro" Chamorro - both of whom were previously expelled from Costa Rica because of guerrilla activities.

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The Government announced over the weekend that Senor Chamorro had been arrested at local airport and deported to Panama. But an Arde spokes-man told the press that Señor Chamorro had not been expelled and was instead meeting Señor Pastora "in the moun-tains of southern Nicaragua" a euphemism Arde often uses to indicate that its leaders are really inside Costa Rica.

The dismissed official, Colonel Riguberto Badilla, director-general of the rural guard, has he will release compromising documents linking other officials to Arde.

Costa Rica has also announced for the first time it is seeking anti-tank rocket launchers, mortars and rifles

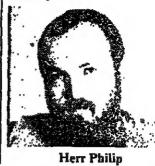


Armin Phillip

By Caroline Moorhead When Armin Phillip, a 27year-old worker in a Christian hostel received his final summons to report for military service he sent back a card to the military authorities with

without weapons" Phillip is a pacifist belonging to an anofficial peace morement in the GDR.

In November 1982 Phillip was arrested. Before the mili-tary authorities he declared that he refused to do his military service. While some provision exists under GDR law for those who object "for religious or similar reasons" to armed military service, all alternative work in "construction units" has to be carried out within the country's military and defence system. Those who refuse to join these units are sent to prison,



#### Zia sacks three senior **Cabinet ministers**

From Hasan Akhtar, Islamabad

President Zia ul-Haq of the former Bahkalpur state. Pakistan dropped three of his Religious Affairs Minister, and Cabinet ministers from the Government on Sunday and left their vacancies unfilled.

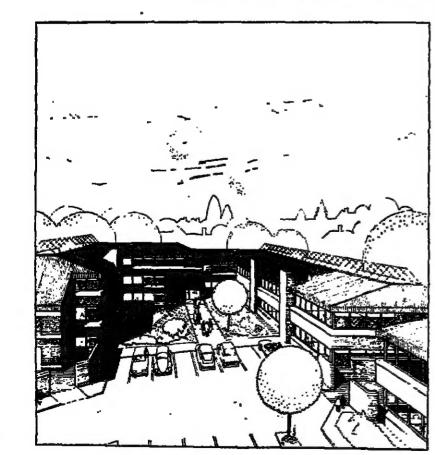
General Zia had removed two of his most senior army colleagues on Saturday and replaced them with two others who could be regarded as closer to him since he seized power in July, 1977.

The three dismissed ministers are retired Major-General Rao Farman Ali, the Petroleum Minister, Mr Nawab Abbasi, of

Dr Naseeruddin Jogezai, the Health Minister. Their removal was not explained in a short statement, which said that General Zia had reshuffled his cabinet 6 Chinese visit: President Li

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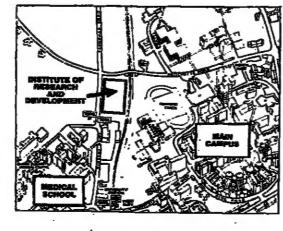
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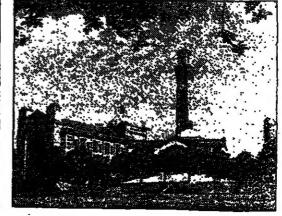
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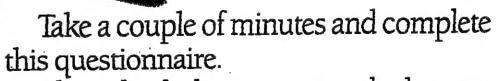
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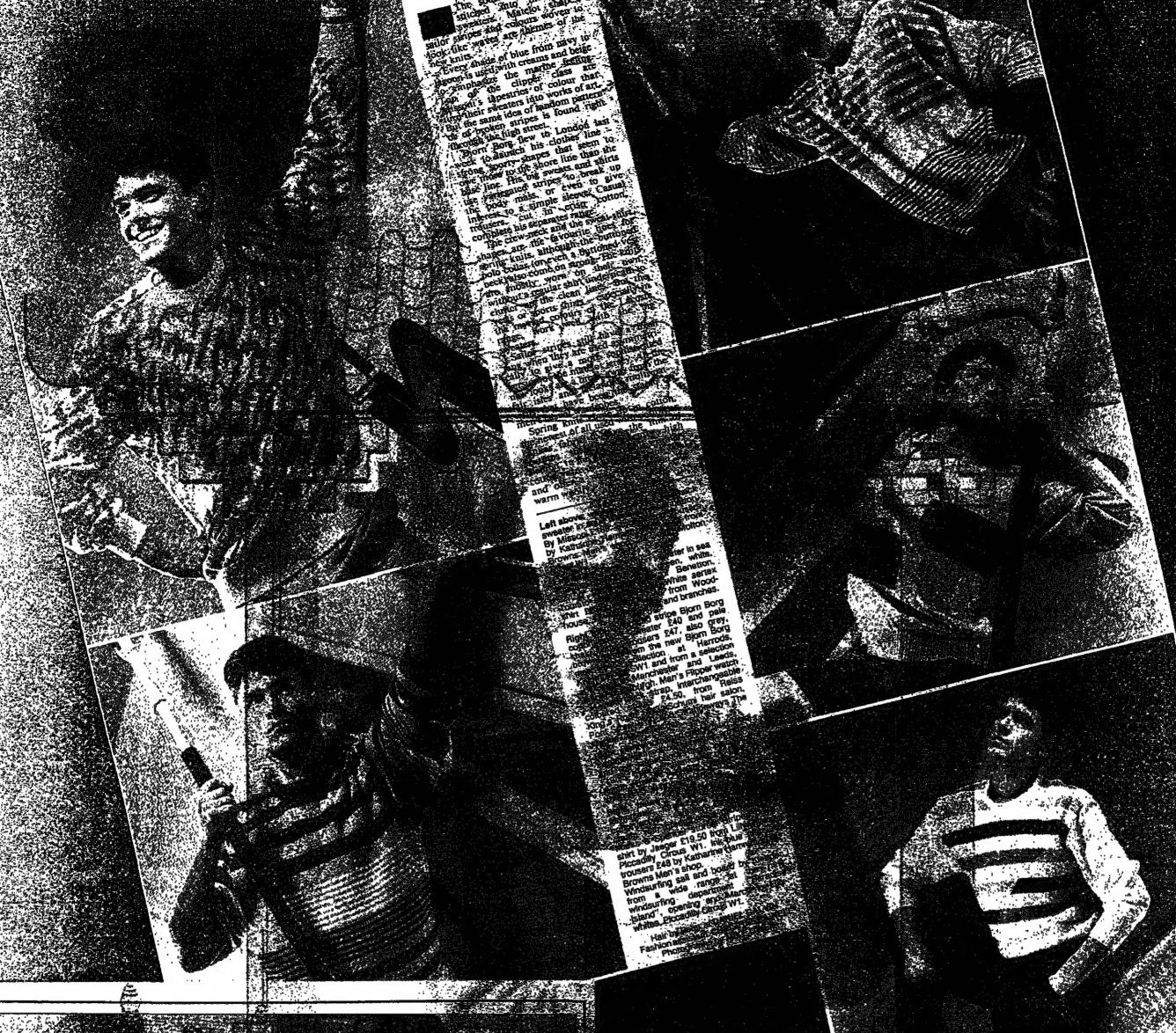
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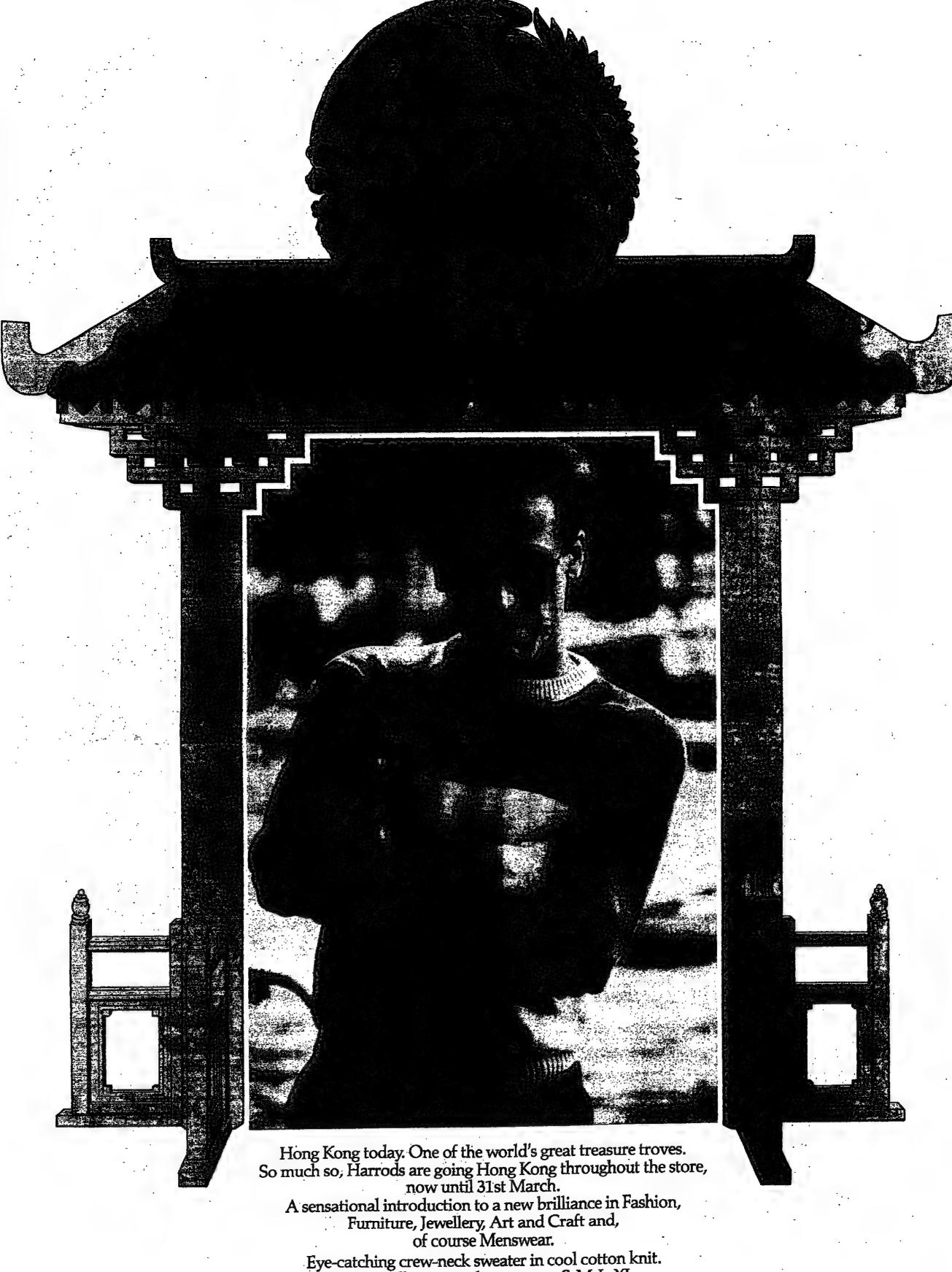
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Even before it began, it was obvious that Kinnock would win the battle for Foot's succession. Peter

Gillman explains how the young, inexperienced contender became everyone's favourite with a series of union and constituency victories

# Clearing the lines of leadership

be the next leader of the Labour Party. He calculated that in the forthcoming leadership election, the left's vote would be split between Kinnock and Benn, Kinnock would be eliminated. and he would win the run-off. But then he heard Benn had lost in Bristol East - and knew that his hopes had gone.

Kinnock's supporters assert today that he would have beaten Hattersley, Ecnn or no Benn. Before the general election, some were not so sure. A group of left-wing leaders was already considering what to do if Benn survived in Bristol. They had in mind a deal; if Benn stood down against Kinnock, they would back him for the

Kinnock himself was scarcely confident of victory. On general election day, one of his constituency workers. Gwyn Evans, learned that a local bookie was offering 33-1 against Kinnock becoming Labour leader. He was on the point of drawing out his life-savings of £1.000 when Kinnock warned him sternly against placing the bet. Evans now rues accepting that advice. "You only get a chance like that once in a lifetime", he says.

If in retrospect Kinnock's election victory seems a formality, those involved say that it did not seem so at ever accused Neil of that". the time. That is hard to credit when the margin - 71 per cent to 19 per cent

On the eve of the 1983 general election, Roy Hattersley thought he was going to of a scheming ambition that was conceived, so one MP remarked, "in his mother's womb". But while Kinnock admits he was ambitious "holy I am not" - he most emphatically denies any "long-term contriv-

True, there has at times been an intriguing ambiguity about Kinnock's actions, with his short-term aims often proving to suit more distant goals. But that can equally demonstrate the sureness of his political instincts; he has also been blessed with considerable luck. And although he also received the cager support of Michael Foot, that has at times been a mixed blessing - and was not always quite what it seemed.

The first advancement Foot provided was in 1974, when as Secretary of State for Employment he appointed Kinnock his PPS. This, however, was an act less of patronage than of rescue. Kinnock had been asked to become PPS to Ted Short, deputy leader of the Labour Party. Having no wish to do so, Kinnock told Short he had already agreed to work for Foot - and then persuaded Foot to take him on. Foot readily concedes that Kinnock was not ideal for the post. The job, he explains, "is best done by people prepared to efface themselves, and nobody has

Yet Kinnock did have more substantial ambitions at that time. He complained to Wilson, then Prime Minister, of the quality of a minister in the Welsh office. When Wilson told him "there's nobody else", a miffed Kinnock replied: "Thank you very



The new leader: Roy lfattersley and Michael Foot appland the victorious Kinnock at Labour's 1983 conference

much". However, when Jim Callaghan start of Labour's traumas, fatal to its gone unreported. It came just as the offered him junior posts. That in the chances in the 1983 general election was announced, when Department of Industry, later in Prices. From them Kinnock was to emerge as the Shadow Cabinet, NEC, and trade and Consumer Protection - he turned . Labour's leader.

Kinnock explained later that his opposition to Callaghan was so fundamental, particularly over limits. on public expenditure and plans for devolution in Wales, that it would have been "counterfeit" to accept. His wife Glenys was no less hostile to Callaghan, warning Kinnock: "He's trying to shut you up".

#### How Kinnock set the: seal on his loyalty

Rejecting those offers has, of course, exposed Kinnock to the criticism that he lacks administrative experience. His supporters-most notably Denis Healey-now compare him with Kennedy in that respect; Kinnock's favourite analogy is Tito.

Yet there were important compensations. Since becoming MP, Kinnock had almost invariably accepted invitations to speak at local party meetings or to teach at trade union schools. Instead of toiling unseen in Whitehall, he remained free to do so. That work among Labour's grassroots, plus his rousing speeches at annual conferences, won Kinnocka sear on Labour's-National Executive Committee in

in 1979, following Labour's election defeat. Foot persuaded Callaghan to appoint Kinnock education spokesman. In the Commons, Kinnock performed ably enough. But 1979 also saw the

Kinnock was among those who. persuaded Foot to run as leader in 1980 because he was the only candidate who could beat Denis Healey. But Foot still favoured Shore as his successor, Kinnock, he says, was

"hardly in the running".

Foot changed his mind during the bitter internal struggles that racked the party during the next two years.

Kinnock backed him consistently in his battles with Benn on the NEC and set the seal on his loyalty when he informed Foot that the Bennites were holding caucus meetings beforehand. The nadir of Foot's relations with Benn was reached when Foot con-fronted Benn with the charge, later Foot wearily asked if it might not be possible that something he had to say during an NEC meeting could influence one of Benn's decisions.

By now, a fissure had opened on the left, with a group cohering around Kinnock that became known as the "soft left". The schism was formalized during the deputy leadership contest in November, 1981, when Kinnock and his colleagues abstained from voting. costing. Benn the prize. Afterwards Kinnock continued to back Foot through thick and thin, even in his opposition to the Bermondsey candilate, Peter Totchell, although privately

he felt Foot had gone too far.

That brought a rebuke from Glenys, who told him that she could understand him backing Foot out of loyalty, but he shouldn't justify his action in terms of higher moral principles. By then Foot had concluded that Kinnock, not Shore, should be his successor. Kinnock he says, "played a eading part in atter party splitting". And his seat on the - evidence of a constituency power base, which Shore lacked - was an absolutely major factor

Meanwhile, with the defections to the SDP, Labour's centre of gravity had shifted in Kinsock's favour. And thate on the right still in the party were taking a new view of Kinnock. The former MP. Philip Whitehead, says it was clear by then that he was "not just an easy-going Welsh boyo" but someone with steel in his character".

As his supporters tell it, it was in November, 1982, that Kinnock decided to make his eventual bid for the leadership. Kinnock had asked Foot for promotion from his education post several months before, but when Foot asked his employment spokesman, Eric Varley-to step down in Kinnock's favour, he refused to budge. Kinnock was enraged by Varley's intransigence. and swore that he would "go for broke," But he has also confided that he thought then Hattersley would win.

Elsewhere, however, preparations for his victory were being unwittingly laid. Following boundary changes. there had been anxious manoeuvering in Bristol for the solitary safe seat, Bristol South. The contenders were Labour's chief whip. Michael Cocks, and Tony Benn. Cocks was fortunate in having assistance from the maverick right-wing MP John Golding, adept at advising his friends how to maximize their support on Labour selection committees. It was clear by the end of the year that Cocks would win.

The signs favouring Kinnock were now sufficiently strong for other informed observers to take note. The American Embassy concluded it was time it got to know Kinnock, and he dined with the deputy chief of mission, Ed Streator, at his official residence, Wychwood, in Kensington, Kinnockalso met the head of the embassy's political and military department, Dick McCormack. The Americans concluded that Kinnock was a bright, shrewd politician with a high learning curve. who was definitely "educable" about the constraints he would face in

In 1983, however, as a general election loomed, there were two attempts to pre-empt the leadership contest that would follow. The first came in February, when there were headlines of a plot to install Healey in Foot's place. MPs on the right now aver that the move was taken more seriously by the press than by the party

Three months later, however, there was a second move to replace Foot. this time from the left, that has so far

unions held an emergency conference at the General and Municipal Workers' college at Long Ditton in Surrey on

The move was proposed by Clive Jenkins, who suggested that Labour should "do a Hawke" and follow the example of the Australian Labour Party, which had won a general election by switching its leader. The man to replace Foot was Kinnock.

Jenkins' proposal was considered in some secrecy by a group of union leaders on the left of the party, who included Moss Evans (TGWU), Bill Keys (SOGAT '82), Alan Sapper (ACTAT). Ray Buckton (ASLEF), Rodney Bickerstaffe (NUPE), Jimmy Knapp (NUR), and Ken Cameron (FBII) Among those emphatically not (FBU). Among those emphatically not consulted were Bill Sirs of the ISTC and Terry Duffy of the AUEW who, the others felt, would have been adamantly opposed to the scheme, and might have leaked it to the press. News of it did reach Kinnock, but not Foot,

#### His appearance and his manner impressed

The discussion proved shortlived: "the party had taken its decision", one general secretary explains, and to change leaders at that stage would have been constitutionally very awkward. Nor could much personal enthusiasm for "the sharp removal" be found. But the corollary of the discussion proved equally significant. "People were beginning to exercise their minds on what to do afterwards - and that's where it all began to come together for

But that conclusion carried further implications. What would happen if Benn survived in Bristol? As a second general secretary explains, some members of the group felt Benn "might just do it" - and if he then ran for the leadership, a split in the left's vote could let Hattersley through. They considered backing Benn for deputy if he would stand down from the leadership. Although this was "allhypothetical", there was "some relief" when the electors of Bristol rendered such calculations superfluous,

Both Kinnock and his campaign team now assert that he would have won a three-cornered contest - and a telling point in their favour is the extent in which Kinnock had moved into Hattersley's own territory on the centre-right with his solid political groundwork over the years.

A typical union convert was Bill Whatley of USDAW, swayed by Kinnock's performance at his union's annual conference in 1982: "He most certainly did impress our conference, not only by the contribution he made but also by his appearance and general manner"

Meanwhile even Hattersley's own supporters had reservations about him. His power base supposedly lay in the gathering of right-wing MPs and trade unionists known as the St Ermin's group. But some felt he had "minus marks" against him - cited most graphically by the electricians' leader Frank Chappell, who roundly declared that Hattersley had "no balls".

On general election night, Kinnock won further support for his televised composure in the face of defeat, confirming the grateful Labour view that here was an able media performer.

As the leadership contest unfolded, Kinnock won a series of victories in the constituencies and in the unions, where every members' ballot bar one went his way. Hattersley had most support among MPs, but Kinnock's team ensured his majority there by persuading waverers to back a winning

Although Kinnock's supporters now profess relief at the size of his victory, t cannot have come as a total surprise. For they had the further advantage over Hattersley of a computer, which was programmed to predict who would win. It was asked this question many times, one campaigner recalls. "And every time it answered: Neil,"

#### TOMORROW:

The leadership honeymoon

moreover...
Miles Kington

How good are you at following and interpreting news headlines? When Tony Benn is returned to a parliamentary seat with a reduced majority and a reduced share of the poll, are you puzzled when it is hailed as a great Labour victory and the start of the world revolution? Or can you take it in your stride?

Here is an exercise based on the last week's news to see how good you are.

I. Last Tuesday's day of action was precled as "a triumph" and also as "a disaster". The TUC is responsible for one statement and the Government for the other. But which said which?

2. "They fought like animals. It was utterly sickening." Was this (a) English soccer supporters in Paris (b) Cheltenham GCHQ workers rushing for their £1,000 (c) Derek Jameson's lawyers looking for their

#### Moderate:

1. Tony Benn will not be moving to Chesterfield from Bristol. Why? (a) The tea merchants in Bristol are that much better (b) It is too far from the nearest BBC studio (c) He doesn't live in Bristol; he lives in London W11.

2. How much do you think the News of the World is paying Derek Jameson for his exclusive story?

3. If you were a worker at Cheltenham GCHQ, what would there be to stop you from taking your £1,000, then resigning and getting another job? (a) Decent loyalty (b) The Official Secrets Act (c) Your superior in Moscow.

4. What is very unusual about the first Test between England and Pakistan? (a) It is the first ever to be played on the same day that England arrived in the host country (b) It is the first ever to be played on an aircraft in transit from New Zealand (c) It is the first ever to be played under

5. Is Caspar Weinberger (a) A fruity young German wine (b) A political party that came eleventh at Chesterfield (c) That nice Dutchman we met last year in Mallorca, you remember.

#### Harder:

i. When the England cricket team's plane was held up in Australia with engine failure, how did Bob Willis react? fal He sent home to England for a substitute engine to be rushed out (b) He blamed it on the condition of the ground (c) He said that any aircraft could go through an out-of-form period, it was just one of those things. it was sheer bad luck and certainly nobody on the English side was to blame.

2. If Derek Jameson had won his case and been vindicated as a civilized, literary type, would he have been sued by the News of the World on the grounds that he had been an unsuitable editor?

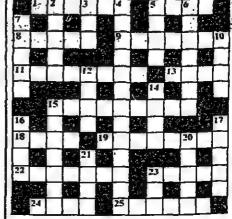
#### Impossible:

I. Mrs Thatcher has made the trade unions popular overnight, previously thought impossible to achieve by her handling of Cheltenham. The police have made a similar bid for popularity by recommending laxer speed limits on motorways. Can you suggest ways in which popularity could be achieved by (a) Solicitors (b) Charlton Athletic (c) TV-am (d) Princess Michael of Kent?

2. Last week The Times promised a piece "How Tony Benn Fought the Media and Won", to be printed the next day. The next day, however, *The Times* did not appear because of trade union action. Sketch a speech for Tony Benn in which he proves that this was a plot by the media

3. If the GLC is abolished, will London (a) Stop being a nuclear-free zone (b) Be private industry.(d) Be given back to the Chinese by the Foreign Office?

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- was so resounding. But it does appear that all who took part underestimated Kinnock's strengths - including Kin-Some cynical Labour members see Why the new Police Bill won't help the Old Bill

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Working for London

# THE ARTS

been nominated for so many awards that she should be one of America's best-paid stars. She is not. Joan Goodman talks to her about her latest film, Testament which opens in London this week

Jane Alexander has

# Out on the last frontier

If Oscar nominations or Tony Awards were represented monctarily in the United States. Jane Alexander would be one of the highest-paid actresses in the business. And that she is not. She has engaged her talent in some of the best projects to come out of the cinema, television and the theatre. Her films - The Great B hite Hope. All the President's Men. Kramer vs. Kramer, for all of which she received Oscar nominations have been seen in Britain; so has some of her television work: Eleanor and Franklin, and its sequel, and Playing for Time. Most of her work, however, is on the New York stars or in regional theatre. She won a Best Actress Tony for the original stage production of Great White

Hope.
"If I'm not on the stage once a year I get very nervous. It's my home," says Ms Alexander from her comfortable, riverview apartment on Manhattan's West Side before she leaves for the Roundabout Theatre, where she is performing in Harold Pinter's Old Times with Anthony Hopkins and Marsha

For her performance in the anti-nuclear war film Testament, which opens at the Plaza this week, she has received yet another Oscar nomination. "I think it's Shirley MacLaine's year," says Alexander candidly,
"but I'm so happy to be
nominated because the film
hasn't been released in many cities and now it will probably

in Testament, Alexander plays Carol Wetherly, the mother of three children. She is sorting out the usual family crises when a nuclear explosion occurs in northern California. It is one of the strengths of the film that the exact nature of the explosion is never described. We do not know if it is an enemy strike or an accident.

Alexander is an appropriate actress to play Carol Wetherly. She is an active member of Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament, a group founded by Dr Helen Caldicott. "Five years ago I was having a recurring nightmare, says Alexander, which curiously was Testament. We have four boys and we used to go on camping trips a lot when they were little. My nightmare was that we were coming out of the woods near where we lived in



upstate New York after a threeday comping trip. When we reached the road it was filled with people moving north, walking and a few cars. I said, what's going on? And they showed me a headline in The New York Times that said a 400-mile cloud of radiation is blanketing the North-East and the county where I lived was being evacuated.

"I had the nightmare over and over again for a year. It was causing me real problems. Then one day I was in Boston and I knew Helen Caldicott lived there and I called her up and told her I wanted to join this women's organization. Once I got active, my nightmare disappeared. And when Testament came up, it was déja vu, l'd already been there."

Lynne Limman, had been at college with Alexander. "We're not close. I had directed Lyan in a play at college but that was more than 20 years ago and I haven't seen her since. I didn't know what she was doing. (She was making award-winning documentaries.) She called me up out of the blue and said I've optioned a story by Carol Amen that was in Ms magazine. I said I know the story, I don't know your work but count me in.

Funding for the film came from the American Playhouse Television company, whose product regularly appears on the Public Broadcast Network in the US. Paramount Pictures picked it up for theatrical distribution. It-ran into some resistance at the box office when the TV drama The Day After was shown.

Born and brought up in Boston, Alexander knew she wanted to be an actress by the time she was six. "It was a strong feeling. I loved to perform." She came by the ambition honestly. "My Dad, a surgeon, was involved with a group called the University Players in Falmouth, Massachusens, which included Henry Fonda and Jimmy Stewart. My dad was Bart Quigley and he and Hank Fonds went to Omaha Central high school together, My dad's family comes from South Dakota and Nebraska. My great-grandfather came from Ireland to South Dakota and then my grandfather grew up in North Platte. Nebraska, and he was Buffalo Bill's doctor.

ol became a western nut. love the early West so when was looking for a project that could produce, I focused on Calamity Jane. I have been researching her life for the past four or five years; it's really fun. She was a marvellous woman who played all the roles a woman could play 100 years ago and many men's roles as well. She was a nurse, a mother, a wife, pony express rider, stage coach driver, scout for the army, a crack shot and more than a little outrageous. Not the image that has passed on to us in Doris Day or Jean Arthur."

Expansion into production is possible, Alexander says, because the four children that she and her second husband Ed Sherin, a director, share, are all grown-up. "They take care of me now and when I was making Testament they were a help. It was such a difficult film. There came a point while playing the scenes when I said I'm not going to get through this. I'm going to break down. There scemed no place to escape. Then one night at the dinner table, our youngest, Jon, said the reason he wanted to be a neuroscientist is that he wanted to find ways to neutralize atomic energy and also to find out where aggression comes from in human behaviour.

"And if you think about it the last frontier is the brain. Kids these days have already accepted that there's going to be a nuclear accident. What they want our generation to do is stave it off, buy time until their generation makes the discover-

found after that I had hope, like a thing with feathers, on my shoulders all the time." C Jose Goodmen, 1984

# Finding a place in the world

Peter Potworowski Bloomsbury Galleries 1

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Gabriel Glikman Wylma Wayne Fine Art

Neil Welliver Marlborough Fine Art

The idea of exile, especially some kind of political exile, is a sure sympathy-trap. Somehow concern over the artist's plight and opposition to whatever drove him from his homeland tend to spill over into required approval of his work, as though to point out its shortcomings is somehow to break faith with all that is liberal and good and decent. Unfortunately, the nicest chaps, with their hearts in the rightest places, are not necessarily the best artists, and an uncomfortable awareness of this leads sooner or later to a secondary mistrust, in which artists who fall awkwardly between two national stools are tacitly allowed to stay there.

To complicate matters, this last misfortune can happen even to very good artists whose only drawback is that they just do not fit in.

Like Peter Potworowski, whose work is being given a well-deserved and long-overdue retrospective at the Bloomsbury Galleries 1 and 2 of the University of London Institute of Education for, alas, a bare three weeks, until March 13. It is possible that the name rings a few distant bells for people whose memories of British painting go back to the 1940s and 1950s, since that is the period when be was exhibiting most frequently in this country as a Polish artist in Britain or, quite simply, as a British artist.

Even then, he was something of an odd bird. Looking at the richly coloured, powerfully formalized landscapes from the 1950s in this show, you can see immediately when they date from, and make all kinds of connexions. But it would be difficult to assign them to any specific national school or group. Which is understandable when you consider that Potwovas horn ir 1898, left for Paris in 1924 with a group of young Polish artists cager to steep themselves in Impressionism on the spot, but instead discovered Leger all by himself, went back to Poland in 1930 and had a highly successful career there, until the



than disturbingly modernist

German invasion drove him first to Sweden, then to Britain, where he remained until going back to Poland and a new triumph in 1958, for the last four years of his life.

Such a complicated and peripatetic existence (which leaves out shorter periods in Germany, Italy and Spain) indicates just why he is difficult to pigeonhole. Or rather why nobody has tried very seriously in the last few years to find out where he fits in, except the Poles, who correctly regard him as a modern master.

He would be difficult to pigeonhole anyway because of his extreme individuality of vision; shown any one of his benter paintings - and there are two large halls full of them you would be aware immediately of seeing a major talent at work, and really hard put to it to guess who it might be. Except for a handful of vibrantly coloured near-abstracts which date from after his return to Poland, all the works here come from his British years, and most of them take the bare bones of a landscape or an interior to

clothe them in a non-representational coat of many colours.

There are, it is true, occasional works which suggest friendly relations with St Ives, and one, The Black Boat of 1957, even seems to indicate that he may have studied the work of the St Ives group's spiritual godfather Alfred Wal-lis. Yet the taste for rich Post-Impressionist colouring points towards France, the occasional eruption of collage remindes us of Potworowski's carly ac-quaintance with the classic Cubists, and the tendency of his landscapes to break out in brilliant diamonds and triangles

of colour is entirely his own.

Most impressive of all, though, is the way the show hangs together: the diverse influences and affinities are all fused into something very personal and unmistakable, whether Potworowski is painting. Battersea Park or a Ghetto in Warsaw, a pair of girls making music or ducks in a French village street, or indeed a complete abstract like Horizontal Elements of 1958. If his initial situation in Britain led to some largely

irrelevant attention as one of our Free Polish allies fighting beside us, and the inderminacy of his national status led just as irrelevantly to neglect, now seems like a good time to take a clear unprejudiced look at him and give him the place he deserves on artistic merit only.

The situation of Gabriel Glikman in relation to exile is rather different: in a sense he has reached only stage one, appearing before us in the flattering guise of a Russian non-conformist who chose freedom - and very recently at that, in 1980 at the age of 67. Glikman was trained as an architect, then a sculptor, and through the years had many Union as a sculptor, with a lot of officially approved portrait busts and monuments to his Credit.

been something he did largely to please himself; it certainly did not picase the authorities, and his only one-man show as a painter in Russia (1968) was closed after just three days. Maybe half the paintings at Wylma Wayne Fine Art (until

March 16) were brought with him out of Russia; the rest, mostly slightly caricatural por-traits, have painted since.

The problem, once we have got over the apparent boldness of this informal handling of culture-heroes in the Soviet Union today, is to decide how good the work actually is. There are some immediately striking images, like the familiar portrait of Glikman's friend Rostropovich, which do not really transcend caricature, and there is often a coarseness of effect which seems involuntary, arising perhaps from sketchy technique. Easy to say that there is a real talent here, uncertainly channelled, and suggest that he is possibly no more as a painter than a sculptor who dabbles.

And yet there are two splendid - and very painterly - landscapes. Homage to the Moon and Der Krieg, and the odd non-portrait painting, like Abraham and Isaac, shows a strong, and unconventional sense of composition and a real painter's feeling for the mat-

It would be interesting to know how he was painting - for surely he must have been before 1960. Equally, it would be interesting to know how these paintings will strike us in a few years' time, when the topical issues have ceased to affect us one way or the other.

At least we know where we are with Neil Welliver, a stayat-home artist as American as English muffins and French toast. He was born 54 years ago in Pennsylvania, where he studied and later (until last year, in fact) taught, and for some years he has lived and worked n Maine. He may have studied in the meantime with Josef Albers and be conversant with the intricacies of modern colour theory, but his pictures first landscapes, rendering the snowy slopes or sun-dappled woodland glades of Maine with an almost obsessive concern for detail.

The catalogue of the recent work currently on show at Marlborough Fine Art (until March 31) firmly insists that once he has taken in this impression, "the boodwinked viewer receives the spine-jarring upper cut to the jaw from modernism and lands spreadcagled on the canvas". (Sounds like a rather unhelpful place to be in relation to a painting.

Maybe yes, maybe no. Certainly no artistic innocent would know how to render the optical effect of falling snow quite so precisely, but the overall result is reassuringly beautiful and romantic rather than nerve-shatteringly mod-

John Russell Taylor



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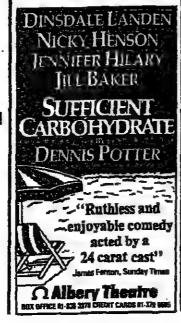
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#### Television

Nothing was what it seemed to be in the field of contraception research, as Panorama (BBC 1) revealed it last night. For instance, the well-established increase in the incidence of cervical cancer among women who had had multiple sexual partners came under scrutiny by the programme's reporter, Margaret Jay. She asked a professor what "multiple" meant in this context. He replied that it meant more than one sexual partner; and could even mean one sexual partner if he had himself had multiple

This gem of Alice in Wonderland logic was only one of the hoard of anomalies and contradictions which the programme revealed. Its overt purpose was to investigate the basis of last autumn's scare about the longterm effects of the contraceptive Pill. This followed the publi-cation in The Lancet of findings by Professor Malcolm Pike and Professor Martin Vessey relat-ing the use of the Pill to increased incidence of cancer of the breast and cervix.

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Professor Vessey confessed himself surprised by the amount of attention his findings had received, and suggested that they themselves were not particularly significant but had been made to appear so by association with Professor Pike's discoveries. In turn, Professor Pike was questioned on the use of an "inaccurate" table in his report; he passed the buck defiantly.

No certainty was offered by

the doctor given ultimate authority in the area, Dr Clifford Kaye, who presides over the largest survey of women who use the Pill. The facts provided by his 66,000 respondents could not substantiate findings from elsewhere and after 20 years of widespread use of the Pill there seemed to be no clearer information available about its long-term

However, the sample of young unmarried women con-vened in a discussion group for the programme spoke with the flawless certainty of youth and ignorance after the carefully edged bets of the experts Margaret Jay very properly chose to set the use of the Pill in its social and moral context. She went on a fact-finding mission and found no facts. Instead of answers she succeeded in uncovering questions, which was, I suspect, the covert purpose of the programme.

We had boys in a sex education class arguing over who should have responsibility for preventing pregnancy. A girl from the discussion group said briskly: "I prefer to be in charge of my own body."

The report was fine so far as it went but indicated that there was much more ground to cover - not, perhaps, an appropriate preoccupation for a prime-time news programme. It made it clear that families are at present obliged to make a life-or-death decision about one of their members from a basis of contradictory or inadequate information. It suggested that children at present make the decision to begin their sexual lives under the impression that the choice of contraception is the most important issue to settle. Let us hope that other programme makers will now take the discussion farther.

Celia Brayfield

#### Concerts

#### Violence and virtue

LPO/Solti

Festival Hall

In a concert where each work finds its composer leaping out from his own imaginings into the song and dance of the common people, Sir Georg Solti, of all conductors, can be relied on to whip up perform-ances of raw and relentless physicality.

So it was with the London Philharmonic on Sunday, First came Prokofiev's "Classical" symphony, with its sinewy Gavone flanked on both sides by a savage cut and thrust of rbythm. A herce, insect-like clicking would be stabbed into disorder by sudden crescendi and decrescendi; flute curlicues would be tickled by gusts of windy string playing, and Solti himself would crouch as though ready to pounce.

Bartok's Music for Strings. Percussion and Celeste became a celebration of the multiplicity of human activity. The highly strung precision of each movement's making must have conveyed extraordinarily vivid

Cleveland Quartet Oueen Elizabeth Hall

Less grainy, less acid, but also a

touch more respectable and conventional, the Cleveland Quartet - who played Dyorak's Cypresses and Beethoven's Op 131 on Sunday afternoon, and who gave yesterday's BBC Lunchtime Concert - have up the family name.

ing of the ungainly, slightly rasping tone that used to be a prominent feature of their playing, but the homogeneous blend and sense of unified tuning and chording has increased, perhaps diminishing slightly the quartet's strong personality. However, that per-sonality is still strong enough toimages to radio listeners. In the flesh, one saw double-bass players bending low to toss their highest notes to the celeste, piano, percussion, and pizzicato severing each other's herve-endings, and the entire body of strings crouches like jockeys to ride their rhythms.

In .. Tchaikovsky's Fourth

Symphony the audience was wrenched forcibly from its role as observer into that of recipient, even unresisting participant, of the bludgeoning energy deflected outwards from platform to auditorium. Not only was the assault of the opening chords almost physi-cally painful to the ear, but there was a sense of resiless equivocation throughout the first movement, created by the nervous nudging of overlapping phrases, and the chimeras created, then shattered, by the

After Gareth Hulse's oboe had masterfully led the way through the inner movements, the finale reinforced both the brutality of this reading and the orchestra's sheer virtuosity.

Hilary Finch

changed considerably in the last few years. The impressive impact of their first appearances here was in part due to the viola playing of Martha Strongin Katz, who has now departed for domesticity, leaving her hushand at the cello desk to keep There is still a touch, especially in the leader's play-

make the collaboration in yesterday's concert with the pianist Stephen Bishop-Koyacevich slightly surprising. Bishop-Kovacevich, who cultivates a warm, sturdy tone and nevermakes an unpleasant noise at the piano, is poles away from their approach. I have no idea how this

particular partnership came about (some are made in heaven but others, let's face it, are created out of record company rosters and agents' lists) but in spite of some powerful, splendid moments it did not quite work. Bishop-Kovacevich, tried to be as incisive as possible, but his long-term planning and sus-tained sound was often at odds with the quartet's more spiky, nervy playing.

The first movement went well - the piano's approach to the recapitulation was wonderfully luminous; - yet the slow movement was uneasy and the finale, though full of panache, was distinctly splashy.

Nicholas Kenyon



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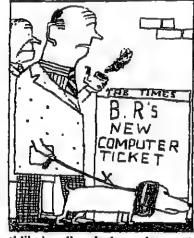
#### Yassir, that's my stand-in

As Glasgow University students went to the polls to elect a new rector last night, I was surprised to learn that Yassir Arafat, who could not be there, was represented by an Israeli army officer, Haim Breheeth. Arafat's campaigners, who were being mercilessly lampooned for the move in Glasgow yesterday. insist that the once fierce Zionist is now working for peace, Bresheeth, who is head of TV studies at a London college - "but don't say which, or people will call wishing me dead" - told me his motives were entirely altruistic. "I believe in the people's right to self-determination. If Jewish people have it we must extend it to the Palestinians." Last night, Reggie Bosanquet was out of the fray, ill at home in London.
"Nominating Arafat is like proposing Nelson Mandela when he was in prison. . . anyway. Glaswegians are such an odd lot."

#### Flattermouse

Press advertisements for Flittermouse, a new spy thriller by Derck Kartun, have been claiming that the book is "highly recommended" by The Times. This is puzzling since our reviewer has not limshed reading it yet. Yesterday, the book's publishers, Century, confessed: "It's not just confusing, it's wrong." A time which would have made it clear that Mr Kartun also wrote another thriller called Beaver to Fox, which mas reviewed and recommended by The Times last year, was madver-

BARRY FANTONI



'I liked cardboard - it somehow went

#### Cardinal error Anyone caddish enough to turn up at the Ritz in open-necked shirt for ils first ever cabaret tomorrow night.

starring Adelaide Hall, will not be ejected. Instead offenders will be Windsor-knotted into a pink-striped rolyester tie, specially designed by the hotel's manager, Julian Payne. Ironically, he was driven to creating an emergency kit - cummerbunds and bow ties are yet to come - by the improper dress of

Pierre Cardin, when he was in London to open Maxim's. With luggage stranded at Heathrow, cardin had sauntered off in safari suit to find crowds lining Panton Street, awaiting the "glittering conturier". Horrified, Cardin hightailed back to the Ritz, dragged Payne from his shower, and pleaded to borrow the manager's only dinner suit. Bent double by the sight of the diminutive Cardin dwarfed in his suit - as well as M & S socks, shirt and cufflinks bearing the family motto Male Mori Quam Fidore" (death rather than dishonour) - the off 2in Payne summoned his valet to perform lightning alterations. Hav-ing fooled all at Maxim's, Cardin stuffed the stitched-up suit in a plastic bag and deposited it outside Payne's door the next day - "with a note, and not a monetary one".

The preoccupation with image building is not confined to the vanities of Hart and Mondale. George Wright, a leading contender to succeed Moss Evans as TGWU general secretary, heard he was being described as smug and difficult to work for. His administrative staff at Cardiff, where he works as the union's regional secretary, were summoned posthaste. After a brief pep talk, they were dispatched to phone their opposite numbers in the London office, over which Wright hopes to preside, and tell them what a nice chap he is.

seen scaling the walls of his union's London office in Camden the other day - washing the windows. He insists he was not breaching union ductrine or demarcation lines - he was just proving he could clean a certain square footage of glass within

Electoral deposits of £1,000 notwithstanding. Chesterfield by-election candidates Lord Sutch of the Monster Raving Loony Party and Sid Shaw of the Elvisly Yours Elvis Presley Party have formed a formidable alliance for their next stand. In an effort to raise funds, the pair - who polled fewer than 200 otes last week - are selling replicas their Chesterfield campaign outfits: T-shirt, rosette, poster, two badges, four stickers and manifesto for £6.95 a set. Shaw, a former British consular officer in San Francisco, is marketing the kits from his promotional firm in Shoreditch. The prospect of a by-election in

# Deterrence and dialogue



As the Atlantic its thirty-fifth anniversary, it is particularly appropri-ate to rededicate ourselves to the

for ourselves in 1949. The more closely the nations of the alliance can work together, the better we will be able to preserve peace and stability, and the better it will be for

people everywhere.
The values that bind Nato together are not abstract concepts. Individual liberty, the rule of law, and respect for dignity of the individual are priceless and real. They have been handed down to us at enormous sacrifice of blood and treasure. They are the cement of the alliance and we can never take them for granted. And it is the success of democracy, not the military power of the totalitarians, that will shape the rest of this century.

The world has changed a great deal since the representatives of 12 states met in Washington, on April 4, 1949, to sign the treaty establishing the alliance, But the underlying unity and purposes of the Atlantic community have not changed.

The founding members of Nato pledged to safeguard the "freedom, common heritage and civilization of their peoples" and to consider an armed attack against any one of them an attack against them all. Having just experienced the most devastating conflict in history, alliance leaders knew first hand the dangers of war, and the requirement for unity to deter it.

But they had more than sound

historical understanding. They had remarkable foresight. The structure of Atlantic cooperation which they built has ensured the longest period of European peace, stability and

progress in history.

The challenges which the Atlantic alliance confronts today are no less difficult. If we face them with the same determination, creativity, and sense of responsibility we have shown in the past, the future will be secure. If we are to achieve true peace, we must work for it.

The bedrock of our alliance is our unshakable commitment to ensure our security through collective selfdefence. There is no alternative but to maintain a credible deterrent military posture and political solidanty. The continuing growth of Soviet military power will require a sustained effort by all of us - 10 reduce disparities in the military balance, to broaden our cooperation. to make the necessary investments to keep the peace.

Nato is not solely a military alliance. We also seek to improve the well-being of our people. Sustained economic growth will be the key. In this regard, we need to resist protectionism while we ex-pand our cooperation in the fields of science and technology. We have long recognized that developments beyond the treaty area are relevant to our own well-being.

Building a constructive relationship with the world beyond the treaty area will require great energy and wisdom. We need to work

ogether in addressing the human. social political and economic conditions which create the instability on which radicalism and Soviet interventionism feeds. This does not mean expanding the treaty area. But it does mean working

closer together in sharing the burdens and solving the problems.

Since its creation. Nato has always had to address the question of how best to deter Soviet attack. The future will be no different. And we have agreed on the outline of the answer defence and dialogue. There is no evidence that future Soviet behaviour will be anything but a serious threat to our security and to those principles on which a humane international system must be based. The answer for the future will still be defence and dialogue, a policy of reasonable strength combined with the commitment to search for ways to reduce the risk of conflict. Our challenge is to follow a policy of realism; strong enough to protect our interests but flexible enough to spare no effort in finding a fair way to reduce the levels of arms.

#### A candle of freedom we must preserve

Sometimes, we in the free countries forget the richness of our most precious possession - freedom and human rights. People who live in tyranny, however, can see freedom much more clearly. It shines like a candle in the dark. It is our responsibility to speak out and to work hard for the dignity of mankind, to improve human rights, and to hold governments accountable for their behaviour. This

challenge has no limits.

The experience of the past 35 years has prepared the nations of the Atlantic community to overcome these challenges. As long as we stand together we will remain secure. We have not learned rote formulas, to be applied to all situations whether they fit or not. What we have learned is that the alliance is truly durable. While we cannot take our partnership for granted, we can be certain that patience, cooperation, and hard work will pay off. Any undertaking will ultimately be judged by the challenges it accepts and by those it overcomes. We have accepted a worthy challenge and

In the sixth of our series marking 35 years of Nato, President Ronald Reagan calls for continued resolution in resisting the Soviet threat and declares there can be no limit in challenging breaches of human rights

overcome many of them over the years. There is no reason to doubt

This continuing vitality is no-where more evident than in the deepening of alliance consultations on the question of nuclear arms control and maintenance of the alliance's nuclear deterrent. The 1979 INF (Interrediate Range Nuclear Forces) decision, taken in response to the deployment of Soviet SS-20 missiles threatening Western Europe, is a shining example of the alliance's traditional approach to western security - the dual foundation of defence and dialogue,

Nato has implemented both tracks of that decision, despite apprecedented political and military threats from the Soviet Union. Nato was responsible for the initiation of the Geneva arms control talks, which the Soviet Union at first resisted. It was through consul-tations within Nato that our arms control positions were developed. And, it has been the unity and determination of Nato which has made possible the actions needed to maintain our nuclear forces in

Europe. Contrary to popular assertions, the alliance is reducing rather than increasing its reliance on nuclear weapons. The alliance agreed that as INF weapons were introduced. existing weapons would be removed

on a one-for-one basis.
In addition, however, last autumn
Nato decided to reduce the Nato nuclear stockpile by an additional ,400 weapons. Together with the 1.000 warheads removed three years ago these unilateral reductions will bring the number of weapons withdrawn since 1979 to 2,400. The overall Nato stockpile will be

duced by one third.
The INF experience is an extremely important lesson for the future. It shows the ability of democratic governments to work together. Despite the stress, even with governmental changes in all of the countries directly involved, we will have been able to maintain a coherent policy. Contrary to the pessimism of many critics, dictatorships do not have an inherent advantage when dealing with free people. When governments remain open, people will respond in the best The US will continue to work

with our allies to ensure deterrence

at the lowest possible level of nuclear weapons, and to strengthen the capability of conventional forces to deter conflict and lessen the likelihood of war.

As we work to ensure a credible military posture, we are also creating the basis from which to seek more stable and productive East-West relations. On January 16 I underscored my personal commitment to building a more constructive re-lationship with the Soviet Union, on the basis of realism, strength, and

Union in all areas of our relations from arms control to regional issues, from human rights to bilateral

of the continent.

The United States did not come easily to the Atlantic alliance Independence and continental isoation has been a long tradition. As President Washington put it: Europe has a set of primary interests, which to us have no or a

That may have been true two centuries ago, but that view was swept away in the violence of two world wars. It became clear that there was no sensible alternative to an active policy of collective security if the democratic nations of the

So long as the sense of common heritage and interests remains vigorous in the West, and so long as the world remains the dangerous and challenging place that it is today, then the Atlantic alliance must be strong and vibrant. On the occasion of the signing of the North Atlantic Treaty. President Truman stated: "If there is anything certain today, if there is anything inevitable in the future, it is the will of the people of the world for freedom and

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The United States is prepared to pursue the dialogue with the Soviet concerns. While I cannot predict the intentions of the Soviet Union. I firmly believe that it is in the interest of both sides that arms control negotiations go forward in all areas which had been under

The East-West dialogue must also embrace the full range of issues contained in the Helsinki Final Act. If it does not, we cannot expect to strengthen mutual confidence and understanding. In our bilateral dealings with the Soviet Union, and in the multilateral channels of the Conference on Security and Cooper-ation in Europe, the nations of the Atlantic community will continue to pursue improvements in the rights of the individual, in greater communication and access, and in meaningful dialogue on the wide range of issues affecting the people

#### From isolationism to awareness

very remote relation."

West were to survive.

for peace". I share President Truman's optimism.

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#### **Roger Scruton**

# Too divine, but far from a comedy

John Stuart Mill characterized the Conservative Party as the stupid party, his own impeccably liberal orinions and policies being, he implied, far less stupid, and therefore far more fitted for the tasks of government. Mili belonged to a circle of people who believed that government should be conducted by hose with intellect, education and ideas. This weird belief has shown a remarkable capacity for survival.
Thus, in the United States, East Coast intellectuals groan under the yoke of the "ignorant cowboy"
Reagan as though under a barbarian
conquest. In Britain too the belief
has had considerable authority, and
is responsible for the enormous influence wielded over the Labour Party until recently by the Fabian Society. Most striking of all is its success in the communist world, where every major k-ader, from Lenin to Ho Chi Minh, has justified his usurpation in terms of "theoreti-cal correctness", "revolutionary insight" and "progressive ideas".

The belief that intellectuals have a natural right to govern is the modern version of an old super-stition; that of a divine right which can sanction the rule of an individual over people who do not wish to be governed by him. It is, however, far more dangerous than the docume of the divine right of kings. For a king, as a rule, has a hereditary title. He steps into an office the privileges of which have been steadily eroded by the flux of popular discontent, and the liab-ilities and responsibilities of which have been determined by a history whose influence is more powerful than his own. Furthermore, his presence on the throne is, and is perceived to be, arbitrary in just the way that human life is arbitrary.

He owes it to no personal quality, to no effort, talent or achievement, but simply to the accident of birth. Kingship therefore represents, in the eyes of the ordinary subject, the accidental quality of his own condition, and, by reminding him of the immutable facts of human destiny, reconciles him to the discipline of government. Hence overnment by a monarch is fairly likely to be government by consent.

Moreover, heriditary monarchy is, in a sense, the most representative form of government. Hereditary entitlement means that, by a natural process, every human type --including the lazy, the stupid, the obdurate, and the insane - has a chance of sitting in the seat of power. Unqualified democratic election, by contrast, discriminates heavily in favour of the energetic. the cunning the ruthless, and the plausible. Our own system is the result of an attempt to combine the virtues, and cancel out the vices, of both arrangements. We have so devised the office of monarchy that its tenant acts not from individual impulse, but with the slow measured choice of history.

We have, in effect, created an institution that is wiser than any of its encumbents, and balanced it against a parliament in which the energies of the members are rendered comparatively harmless by the oppressive weight of their official business.

It remains to be seen whether the modern republic will achieve so happy a balance - and, in particular whether it will provide for the intellectual leader an office conva-lent to that of constitutional monarch an office which contains more wisdom than the head of its occupant. So far, the results have occupant. So far, the results have not been very encouraging. Consider Lenin and Stalin – autodidacts of immense range, who consciously identified themselves as men of ideas, and who justified their crimes in terms of a vision which they alone how to realize. Consider Hitler, painter, dreamer, playwright and philosopher, or Mao, who summed up the matter with the words "no army can resist an idea whose time has come",

Consider, finally, the Iranian intellectual whose philosophy of theocratic guardianship" moved him to return to his homeland after years of justified exile in order to replace the divine right of inheritance with the divine right of truth,

Such cases illustrate the dangers inherent in the doctrine of an "intellectual right". The king whose power is justified by divine right knows that he is auswerable to a power who is, in the end, "absolute sole lord of life and death". The intellectual knows no such thing, has only that what he thinks is right. The intellectual justifies his assumption of power by referring to the impeccable truth or reasonableness of his ideas; hence his capacity to tolerate opposition is jeopardized by his newfound ability to silence it.

Is it not obvious, therefore, that the doctrine of "intellectual right" leads naturally to the extinction of all opposing positions, and all rival ways of thought? In other words, is it not obvious that the superstition refutes itself, by extinguishing the very intellectual light that it claims to worship?

Recently. Le Monde can a series of articles entitled "The Silence of the Intellectuals", lamenting the absence of the "political consciousness" which had reigned supreme in the 1960s and 1970s. What has happened, it asked, to those fulminating intellects who provided such an inspiration to the left in the dark days of opposition, and who established the left's "right divine to govern wrong"? The answer is simple. They are in power. No wonder they are keeping quiet.

#### Robin Cook

# The right answer to question time

A hundred of the most senior pupils nod smpathetically in response, in the school sit in front of me. Each terrified lest he betrayed that he had is attentive, disciplined and silent. There is a barbed pertinence to the that the minister could not comment query slipped in by the head to fill a on his question. full in questions from the floor. Why is the House of Commons by comparison so often a noisy and

disorderly shambles? For nine hours out of the ten for which it normally sits the Commons behaves with a decorum that would earn the approval of the most rigorous headmaster. The reason why so many of the public come to regard the Commons as a cross between the Tower of Babel and the students next door giving a party is that the broadcast excerpts are almost invariably selected from the one other hour of the day - the slot taken up by Question Time. This is also the one time of day when we are graced by a packed press gallery, and because of that the only time we ever see the members of the SDP who recently have been the most sententious in denouncing parliamentary disorder.

I now wish to give vent to a shocking heresy. Far from providing the crowning glory of the British Parliament, Question Time is its nadir. It is the sheer intellectual bankruptcy of the exercise which on occasion reduces the House to a shouting match. Every member is allowed only

one question, which must be limited to two or three sentences, each couched as a question. The capacity of the British political system to throw up problems rather than answers would be readily understood by our Wittgenstein when he learned that the interrogative was the compulsory mode of speech of its politician As a method of exercising scrutiny

of the executive Question Time is visibly inadequate. Anyone who has addressed public meetings long enough to become a minister of the Crown has to know how to slip out from under a difficult point when questioner has no right of challenging the answer.

Each minister develops his own

rhetorical trick for awkward corners. I remember one minister in the last Labour government confiding in me that when short of an answ favourite strategem was to lean on the despatch box, stare the questioner solemnly in the face and say, I fully take the point the honour able gentleman is making, but for reasons he will appreciate I cannot comment at this stage."

There never was the slightest reason why he should not answer. but such is the exaggerated respect for secrecy of members, especially Conservative members, that generally the Opposition member would Livingston.

terrified lest he betrayed that he had no idea what the reason might be

Nor can any question be tabled just because it is a matter of concern. My own first attempts at a question fell at the first fence. Among the issues vigorously pressed on me during that election had been the conduct of the Edinburgh military tattoo, which is immensely popular outside Edinburgh but provokes more ambiguous feeling among those who live in the adjacent tenements.

I therefore tried to ask the Ministry of Defence the cost of the annual erection of the scaffolding for the grandstand. This the clerk refused to accept on the grounds that the ministry will not entertain questions on the cost of an individual contract lest it provides information of value to a hostile state. In vain did I attempt to reason my way round the bar by demonstrating the improbability of the next war being fought out by two opposing forces armed with lengths of scaffolding tubes. This negotiation with the Table

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Office must be performed a fortnight in advance of the relevant Question Time. This has the further disadvantage to the member that for two weeks teams of civil servants will crawl over any successful questions, anticipating supplementary ques-tions and drafting alternative replies for the minister. By the day of the match the largest challenge to the minister is finding the right page among the many in the voluminous red loose-leaf binder that he lugs into the chamber.

A much more promising form of scrutiny is provided by the select committee where half a dozen members can grill a minister at leisure with better chance of discovering his raw spot. Yet the weakness with select committees is that their only power is to supply the House with reports which the House is almost invariably too busy to

I offer this modest solution to that problem. Let us drop the charade of use each hour saved to debate reports from the appropriate departmental select committee. would at once reduce the first hour of each sitting to a state of propriety and earnestness that would drive to drink broadcasters in search of dramatic excerpts, but would also save every member from wincing when his local headmaster hints at deplorable standards of discipline in

public places. The author is Labour MP for

a strange tale of wheels within wheels in the Docklands Shunted aside

George Brock investigates

# but it could still be all change to the robots

The northern French town of Lille has recently acquired the first 7½-mile leg of an urban transit system. It is impressive and slightly eerie: pairs of small coaches running on rubber wheels shuttle quietly up and down, moved not by drivers but by a computer in the suburbs. It carries million passengers a month and has not so far suffered any accidents. In the east London docklands they are also thinking about urban transit. By 1987, the Greater

London Council: (or its successor) and the London Docklands Development Corporation (LDDC) would like to be operating a light railway designed to carry up to 2,500 people an hour in any direction along a 71/2mile distance of track connecting Tower Hill, Stratford and the Isle of Dogs. The network might eventually be extended eastward to Beckton.

This government, from the Prime Minister downwards, has expended a great deal of rhetorical energy promoting the virtues of new technology. Only last month Mrs Thatcher told an audience at Warwick University that too many people clung to yesterday's indus-tries. "I find myself trying to force the pace of change just a little faster", she said. In particular, the docklands is supposed to represent a developing showcase for enterprise and high-tech.

The strange tale of the docklands railway must make anyone wonder just how deep those commitments run. It also raises questions about the two public authorities involved go about getting value for public money until last week invitations to tender for the contract had excluded the only consortium which claims to be able to build the railway without the £77m which has been earmarked by the government for capital expenditure.

Since the consortium involved is Franco-British and raises tricky questions of whether the British stake is large enough, the matter appeared on the agenda for a recent day's talks between the Transport minister, Mr Nicholas Ridley, and his French counterpart, M Charles Fiterman. All in all, the railway PHS is causing some uncomfortable

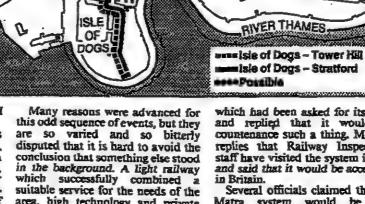


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the release to be withdrawn, or the

coach would have to be removed. The document was never distributed and the coach stayed pur. An LDDC spokesman said yesterday that press releases from two companies were withdrawn and that there had been no specific objection to Matra's

When the first two routes had finally been decided, the London Transport officials managing the scheme for the GLC and LDDC called in consultants to advise on the kind of system best suited. They recommended restricting the choice to traditional "steel wheel on steel rail" technology, although there was room for improved automation. This decision gradually became known London Transport says that the high technology companies were told, while DTC says that it was never officially informed. DTC mounted an energetic lobbying effort to stay in the game.



and current way of doing things.

only truly exclusive aspect of the Matra system is the computer programme: the chances that it would not have been stolen, copied or by-passed before the guarantee

borne in on us," said Mr Clarke, "is that the docklands should be using British technology as far as possible, and preferably such as we can sell elsewhere." He criticized DTC's proposals on this front as made "in only very broad terms". Those suggestions are that 80 per cent of the components would be built in Britain and that any export work would be divided 50-50 between Britain and France.

The chairman of an informal GLC-LDDC steering group overseeing the planning. Sir John Garlick, former permanent secretary at the Department of the Environment, at one stage assured DTC's chairman. Lord Plummer, that it would be allowed to bid. But he warned that he did not bold out much hope; the unions would object to driverless trains and London Transport and the GLC would object to private

that the objection to driverless trains

did not come from the unions but

from the Railways Inspectorate,

which had been asked for its views and replied that it would not countenance such a thing. Mr King replies that Railway Inspectorate staff have visited the system in Lille and said that it would be acceptable Several officials claimed that the

Matra system would be very expensive; but no detailed examination of the performance figures has been made. Before the key technological decision was made, the system had not been in operation for long enough to provide the infor-mation and afterwards it was considered irrelevant. The consultants' advice was clearly to the effect that it would be too costly. Mr David Bayliss, the GLC's chief transport planner, told me last week that he had not been aware that DTC was claiming to offer a self-

sons advanced against the DTC claim was accompanied by a reluctance to admit that the specifications were being developed specifications were being developed in a way that leant away from high tech. At a meeting on January 30, Mr Ridley and his senior officials assured DTC that it would be invited to bid. The following day a letter was signed at the project beadquarters telling it the opposite. Invitations were issued to only three

giving final approval, she said, "the Government will need to be satisfied that all options have been properly considered and a sensible procedure has been followed to secure ten-ders." Mr Ridley had spoken in similar terms when he visited the docklands a week earlier.

cerned to ensure that the possibility of alternative bids should not be ruled out", it was told in a letter, and it was invited to tender. How good a railway the docklands will eventually have remains to be seen.

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Monster Elvis Wales, following Dr Roger Tho-nias's decision to resign, fills him with glee. "All those Welsh valleys are full of rock'n' roll fans", he says.

Mr Wright

• Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the white-collar ASTMS, was

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wriggling in Whitehall, County Hall and the Isle of Dogs. Transportation Consortium (DTC), which includes the French Matra group, builders of the Lille system, was refused an invitation to tender in spite of the claim to be selffinancing. Whatever the strength of the claim - and no competitor is making a remotely comparable one - it had not at any stage been tested in detail before being excluded "We have been manoeuvred against all along", said Mr Peter King,

DTC's spokesman. In October 1982, just as the project and its budget received government approval, the docklands staged a transport exhibition attended by various firms sniffing around the contract. Canadian and French firms brought carriages from systems under construction elsewhere. The Matra coach brought from Lille was accompanied by a press release announcing that such a system would not only cover its running costs but be so cheap to run that it would pay back the money raised to build it. "No government subsidy would be called for", it said. An emissary from the LDDC arrived at the exhibit and asked for

financial claim.

area, high technology and private money would form a potent threat to London Transport's workforce

Mr Bill Clarke, London Transport's general manager of the railway, said that if the system used patented technology, however economical it might seem first time round, when it had to be renewed or extended, a monopoly supplier would be in a strong position to raise the price. He cited this as one of the main reasons for preferring unpatented steel wheels and rails. Mr King of DTC replies that the

period expired were negligible.
"One of the things which has been

money being involved.

Mr Clarke said in an interview

financing scheme. The bewildering variety of rea-

> firms, two British and one German. But ministerial eyebrow or two had already been raised. Mr Ridley's junior minister, Mrs Lynda Chalker, delivered a warning in an answer to a parliamentary question. Before

> Last week DTC's determined lobbying paid off The GLC and the LDDC "have always been con-

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#### **CONDUCT UNBECOMING**

Today in the House of Cominto account if it was "obvious mons the Special Standing and gross". For a short period ccedings Bill. A decision will marriage should play in the financial award after the divorce. The Bill proposes that, in deciding what kind of financial order to make, the court should have regard to the conduct of cach of the parties "if that conduct is such that it would in the opinion of the court be inequitable to disregard it". Critics have claimed that this would represent a return to the bad old days of mud-slinging in divorce, with protracted judicial inquests into the pathology of long dead marriages. Is this so?

The current statute specifically requires the court to have regard to the conduct of the parties in deciding what would be a just order to make, without in any way qualifying the court's duty to investigate this aspect of a case. The Bill, on the other hand, seeks to limit this duty by confining it to those cases in which it would be inequitable not to take conduct into account. The Bill would therefore appear to restrict rather than enlarge the role of conduct in the court's consideration of finance after divorce. So why do the critics say it does the opposite?

The reason seems to be the Court of Appeal decision in Wachtel v. Wachtel in 1973, which held, despite the clear court should only take conduct matrimonial home: is it really to

Committee starts work on the afterwards, there was a tendency Matrimonial and Family Pro- on the part of the courts to treat the "obvious and gross" formula soon have to be taken as to the almost is if it amended the role that conduct during a statute itself. This tendency was quickly checked. In 1974 the Court of Appeal finally retreated from the constricting effect of the "obvious and gross" test and adopted a broader and more flexible approach. It decided that the questions to be asked were: Would it offend a reasonable person's sense of justice that the conduct should be left out of account and have no effect upon the financial award? Would it be inequitable or unjust to disregard such conduct? This test has been applied in a number of cases since 1974. All the Bill would do is amend the words of the statute to bring them into line with present practice. The

upon a misconception. Should conduct play a part in the court's decision? It is said that the question of conduct is not justiciable, that it can be difficult for a court to ascertain responsibility for the breakdown of a marriage, and that to investigate conduct exacerbates bitterness and wastes costs. These are formidable arguments, but they cannot be allowed to prevail over the need to do justice. The husband who no longer finds his wife attractive and goes off with a younger woman; the wife who leaves because she has become bored with her husband and then tries words of the statute, that the to have him ordered out of the

critics' fears seem to be founded

be said that the courts should ignore behaviour of this kind?

The courts are in fact well able to investigate matters of conduct and reach conclusions upon them, even if the investigation may on occasion be a difficult and time-consuming exercise. Furthermore, judges can limit the scope of an inquiry into conduct and often do so. As for the exacerbation of bitterness and waste of costs, these considerations are outweighed by the greater danger of inducing a deep sense of injustice in a spouse who has been shut out by the court from making serious and well-founded allegations of conduct against the other party, In the law of divorce, the dictates of convenience must give way to the demands of justice.

In many cases, of course, conduct is unlikely to have much bearing on the final outcome, firstly because responsibility for marriage breakdown is often shared in similar proportions, and secondly because conduct is only one of a number of factors which the court has to take into account. The interests of the children have a first claim to consideration, and the length of the marriage, the parties' respective contributions, their needs, their ages, and their past standard of living, are all important matters to be weighed in the balance. Nevertheless, there is no reason why serious misconduct, even if it does not qualify as "obvious and gross", should be disregarded altogether. Most people have a keen sense of right and wrong, and in reflecting that sense the Bill strikes a sound

#### **BUYING SPACE BEYOND OUR KEN**

The European Space Agency has good reason to be proud of its successful launch early yesterday of the largest civil telecommunications satellite yet to be placed in orbit with an Ariane rocket for the international Telecommunications Satellite Organisation. It was the eighth flight in the Ariane series. It served notice that Europe is ready to challenge the Americans' near-monopoly of space delivery technology for communications and broadcast satellites, meteorological and snacecraft variety of other types for land and sea surveys, called application satellites for civil pur-

The reponsibility for future flights now transfers to Ariancspace which has firm orders for the launch of 25 satellites and options for 15 more, worth a total of £460m. Arianespace has shareholders in eleven countries. Those in France have subscribed about 60 per cent of the capital, with almost 20 per cent from West Germany and 2½ per cent from Britain.

Ariane triumphed over the early troubled history in the evolution of a European space programme. Attempts at a joint European venture began in 1962 with the formation of Eldo (the European Launcher Development Organisation) to build a communications, navigation, satellite launcher. It was to have weather forecasting and other

been as powerful as the best American launchers which through the sixties and seventies placed hundreds of spacecraft into orbit. Furthermore, British technology was to contribute a major part of the project. The first stage of the vehicle was to be Blue Streak, a ballistic missile which Britain had discarded. France was to provide the second stage and the Germans

the third stage. There was a difference of purpose between the partners. e British were anxious for a specific return on the investment. The French and the Germans were looking anxiously for some way of getting into large rocket development because they feared space development in Europe could become dominated by the United States. This is important since, in the placing of communications and other satellites in space, the cost of launching is a significant part of total costs. Unfortunately the partners to the joint venture had an incompatible combination of national and international aspirations. Eventually it was aban-

The Phoenix rose as Ariane in 1973 when the forerunner of the European Space Agency concluded that during that decade 180 satellites would be placed in the geosynchronous orbit for

work, including 23 for Europe. An agreement to build a European launch vehicle was one of the optional projects for the 10 member countries to support.

With bindsight it is clear that

the argument for an independent launcher was a sound one, particularly with events on the last American shuttle flight fresh in the memory. The ease with which the two communications satellites worth £130m were lost would have been more disconcerting without the knowledge inat aitemative methods of launching were available. It may be too early to salute the commercial vision of the advocates of a European launch vehicle; but advisers to the British Government may care to reflect on past miscalculations now they have visitors from the American National Aeronautics Space Administration knocking on their door, with an invitation to collaborate in a permanently manned United States space station, that will take about 10 years to develop.

It is a long way to plan ahead. But on this occasion the entry fee for British firms will be buying an opportunity to engage in the future in manufacturing technologies in space and for scientists to work in laboratories on projects which far exceed contemporary horizons. It is not a chance to be dismissed lightly.

#### **NOBLE TRIPWIRES**

What if a minister of the Crown were today to rise from the front benches and promise a cash gift of thousands of pounds to each of a group of citizens, 100,000 strong, whose location and circumstances he would be at pains to describe and whose individual merit had not entered his calculations? What if the same minister, his rhetorical staples the need for retrenchment and economy, were to confess he could not even put a total on his proposed outlays of public money for the next financial year or the year after? What if the same minister were only rising because a colleague had in a louche moment told fellow MPs that in the old tradition of fiscal promiscuity the Government would "do something? The conclusion of all this for those able to stop the minister would be obvious: it would be to subject that minister - the ill-starred Lord Bellwin to yet another deserved defeat on yet another of the bad proposals in the Housing and Building Control Bill.

The above is scant exaggeration. The proposal, of which only a few clauses have yet been sighted, is for a hand-out; money has already been earmarked in the public accounts for 1984-85. Lord Bellwin today asks for power to allow the Secretary of State for the Environment to make grants to charitable housing associations for buying property on the open market then selling it to their tenants at a discount. The effect is to endow these tenants. They are, it appears, to acquire the "right" to claim from their landlord a capital sum that could - for all the Government has admitted total the entire purchase price.

Five years ago, in preparing the 1980 Housing Act, the Government decided against giving the tenants of charitable housing associations a "right to buy" at a discount. Compelling the transfer of associations' assets at less than full price was thought, rightly, to breach a long tradition of charity organization. The Government decided that this was worth neither political aggravation nor the hard work that could have followed such a contentious revision of charity

However, the success of the right to buy programme - which must rank as a major achievement of the first Thatcher government - led ministers to lose sight of the fundamental difference between compulsory sale of the assets of public authorities (which, arguably, do include non-charitable housing associations which live in a world of markets and substantial public support) and interfering with charities which happen to have received public assistance in the execution of their limited

with an expedition which occasionally makes of the upper house such a model of Parliamentary forms and purposes. The relevant clause, number two in the original Housing and Building Control Bill, was defeated. After the election the new housing minister, Mr Gow, made an unfortunate commitment to resurrect the issue. His scheme has to be inferred - the Bill gives no details - but it appears to be a hodge-podge. The Government envisages that anyone living in a house built by a charitable housing association since 1974 with public money is eligible; if he wishes to buy a house then - this is the essence of the "right" - the Government is to compel the association to purchase it for him. The Government then reimburses the association (from money that would otherwise have entered the general housing fund?) in the amount of the discount that would have been received had the rules applying to local authority right to buy been in operation. That sounds complex and bureaucratic; and it is.

The House of Lords has an obligation today to smoke out Lord Bellwin. The tenants he is proposing to endow are mostly poor, many are likely to refuse his proffered gift. That makes the plan all the worse. His only defence is the need to treat "public" tenants consistently, an argument to be refuted by reference to the markedly different legal status of housing associations which are charities and are enjoined by the charity The Lords moved last spring commissioners' rules to specific purposes of alleviating want. Last week, in debate on the same Bill, the Lords mobilized as guardians of the interest of the elderly and disabled. Today it is to be hoped that enough peers will take seriously their role as a tripwire for ministers running headlong into error.

deterrent force From the Reverend Canon P. B.

Sir, One can understand the desire of the Dean of King's College to produce a justification (feature, March 1) of the nuclear policies of the present Government at the moment when the General Synod is once again debating the question. His very argument, however, shows how difficult it is to transfer the criteria of the just war to the concept of deterrence.

It must be difficult enough to calculate the proportionate and minimal degree of force necessary to achieve a morally justifiable objec-tive in war. But presumably it is possible to make a projection which would show roughly, for instance, how large an army, equipped with these or those weapons, would be needed to defend one's country against an aggressor capable of deploying a force of a certain size.

But deterrence is an entirely different kind of concept. How is one to know what kind of threat would be sufficient to deter? The determining factors are psychologi-cal rather than factual, Indeed, the greatest weakness of the deterrence theory is that it assumes that those who have to be deterred (the rulers of the nuclear powers) are and will always be wholly rational and therefore capable of being deterred. But no rationally calculated threat might have been able to prevent a megalomaniae like Hitler from pursuing his destructive fantasies.

In any case, what will deter one person will not deter another. Mr Harries says that he does not "go in fear" of the French nuclear weapons system. I "go in fear" even of the British one, since the nuclear winter is something i find frightening regardless of who makes the first

Mr Harries would presumably regard my fear as hysterical rather than rational. The fact remains that we would be frightened, and therefore deterred, by different levels of nuclear threat. And, if it is difficult to decide how each of us will react, how could it be possible to draw up a psychological profile so as to determine what size of nuclear arsenal would be "adequate" to deter the inhabitants of the Kremlin and the White House? Yours faithfully

PETER HINCHLIFF. Balliol College, March 1.

#### 'Can pay, must pay'

From Mr R. M. Peet

Sir, If the leader-writer of The Times ("Can pay, must pay", February 27) believes that one is blameworthy, so be it. May the banks plead in mitigation that they acted as they did because it suited the book of governments to let the commercial banks recycle Opec surpluses in the wake of the first oil shock. If the banks are to be indicted for

folly and poor judgment", why should the Opec cartel escape censure for imparting a vicious downward twist to the painfully achieved recovery of the late 1970s?

The point we have to address is the maintenance or, better still, the increasing of long-term capital flows when banks are under the most urgent pressure to write down their existing loan portfolios and at the same time to channel funds into officially sponsored refinancings.

Direct investment, however suitable to development aims, cannot surely in the short to medium run provide the answer. We must look to constructive alliance of banks and official agencies such as may emerge from the very intensity of the present difficulties. Yours faithfully,

R. M. PEET, (Group Economic Adviser). Standard Chartered Bank pic, 10 Clements Lane, EC4.

#### Apathy over Ulster

From Mr Hugo Morgan-Grenville Sir, As an ex-Army officer who was serving in Northern Ireland little over a year ago, I welcome the developments within Dr recent Garret FitzGerald's New Ireland Forum. It is a commendable achievement to bring together the SDLP and the republic's three main nationalist parties under the same

The session on February 9, when the republic's four leading bishops faced direct questions from senior politicians, must be unique in the history of Ireland. And yet the coverage in our

national press has been almost nonexistent. The Government appears curiously apathetic about events across the Irish Sea.

It is still insisting that there can be no constitutional change until a majority of the province's voters vote for it. But as 60 per cent of the electorate are Protestant, this is unlikely to come about. Fifteen years of virtual civil war have wrought untold damage upon the community, and cost the British taxpayer £9bn (equivalent to the PSBR for 1983-84).

Is it not time that the Prime Minister displayed the courage and imagination for which she would like to be remembered? Unless Britain takes the lead in trying to solve the tragedy it will have to shoulder the responsibility for the deaths of yet more soldiers and civilians.

Yours faithfully HUGO MORGAN-GRENVILLE, 51 Starfield Road, W12. February 29.

#### Correction

Yesterday's leading article wrongly stated that Mr Benn had fewer votes at Chesterfield than his Labour predecessor. He had a smaller share of the total vote.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Mr J. T. Kellett

Sir. There is an even more glaring example of the lack of co-ordinated national policy about the place of smallholdings in the rented farm sector to which you draw attention (February 28).

Very many county councils, like Cheshire, have conscientiously and consistently followed the re-commendations of the Wise committee and managed their estates so as to develop a ladder for budding farmers to climb from smaller "starter" holdings through to larger units to which tenants can aspire when they have accumulated the experience and capital.

The latter are the result of judicious amalgamations, which have the useful by-product of leaving surplus houses which are let to smallholders who wish to retire, thus assisting the turnover of

Now the House of Lords are considering amendments to the current Housing and Building Control Bill which will compel county councils to sell these retirement cottages to their tenants at a discount. The Department of the Environment seem quite unable to grasp that this will frustrate the very policy which the Agricultural Holdings Bill seeks to promote. It is not difficult to foresee that, if the amendments become law,

county councils will sell every house which becomes vacant on the open market and take a capital profit, and who can blame them? Yours faithfully, T. KELLETT.

County Secretary and Solicitor, Cheshire County Council, County Hall, Chester.

From Councillor Ian Coutts Sir, Your most interesting leader (February 28) on county councils' smallholdings is flawed by a

contradiction on the attitude of central government to this matter and by your failure to distinguish between the purposes of Lord Salisbury's legislation and its actual

consequences. You refer in one breath to "a government whose inroads into local discretion are notorious" and at the end say that national policy

once declared is something local

authorities have an obligation to respect". Nearly 10 years ago Norfolk County Council embarked on a policy of selling some of its smallholdings and the then Labour Government of the day did not intervene and I would not expect the present Conservative Government to do so either. Both governments have made clear that it is a matter

for local discretion. You refer to the importance of the smallholdings as a "farming ladder" Experience over the past 50 years suggests that this "farming ladder" is virtually non-existent. It may be possible to find one or two individuals per county who have progressed on from a smallholding to a large farm, but their total numbers are minuscule.

If politics is the language of priorities then county councils would be well advised to dispose of all their smallholdings. Norfolk has recently sold an estate to a financial institution at £1,500 per acre. This means that for each smallholding of 80 acres we collect £120,000, or enough money to build a small first school for 100 children, The population of this school

changes every four years, so in 3 years 750 children benefit. Yours faithfully, IAN COUTTS, 2 The Close,

Norfolk.

#### **British Airways future**

From Mr John Wilkinson, Conservative MP for Ruislip, Northwood Sir, I must correct the false impressions which were given in your editorial in the Finance and industry section of The Times of

Wednesday, February 22.
First, it was alleged that "the sight of a big, powerful and efficient British Airways has struck terror in some Conservative fainthearts: hence the trying of the tartan" Conservatives are actually delighted that British Airways is now profit-

Secondly, to say that the Tory Aviation Committee is "wet and confused" and the Secretary of State for Transport, Nicholas Ridley.

laid back and languid" is trivial. Mr Ridley was right to ask the Civil Aviation Authority to do an analysis of the route-licensing system. The CAA is the regulatory body for civil air transport and able to give expert and impartial advice

to government.
The Conservative Aviation Committee has no corporate view, but its officers and members are vigorous in advocating policies for aviation. For example, most aviation committee members are keen that the Government should bring British Airways to the market in

of the travelling public, the indepen-

dent airlines and the taxpayer.

I made a personal submission to the CAA's review. I stated that privatised British Airways could not constitute more unfair competition to British Caledonian than does nationalised British Airways and that if route-licences were to be bought and sold it would benefit financially strong carriers and prejudice the interests of the weaker independents.

It would be objectionable to the taxpayer if the debts of British Airways were written off, and the employees who have worked hard to return British Airways to profit should not suffer on privatisation the dismemberment of their airline.

The best guarantee of the interests of the independent airlines lies in British Airways operating commercially, which would happen after floration if it had to service its existing debt. British Airways might then have to relinquish routes or sell assets which the independents could assume, it would be the market and not government which would ensure that privatised British Airways competed more fairly with the independents. Yours faithfully

JOHN WILKINSON, (Chairman, Conservative Aviation Committee). House of Commons.

#### Theatre of efficiency

From Mr Alan Ayckbourn and others Sir, Nearly everyone who works in the British theatre will be glad that the Priestley report has effectively ensured the survival and prosperity of the Royal Shakespeare Company. But a similar study of many other theatres would reveal them to be just

such a way as to secure the interests

For four years the Royal Court Theatre has cut back heavily both on its running and production costs. Actors there are now paid £125 a week. And yet it is proposed that this year its Arts Council grant should be increased at a level below that of inflation.

A theatre which produces only new plays chooses both the most dangerous and the most rewarding possible course. For almost 30 years the English Stage Company has maintained this policy to a standard which has made it admired throughout the world. Its playwrights and actors are now among the best known in the country.

The National Theatre is largely

staffed by its graduates. The role of the Royal Court should be properly recognized. It is a national theatre of new writing and should be funded appropriately.

DAVID HARE

ANN JELLICOE

TOM STOPPARD.

MICHAEL HASTINGS,

Yours faithfully, HOWARD BARKER EDWARD BOND. HOWARD BRENTON, CARYL CHURCHILL DAVID EDGAR, MICHAEL FRAYN,

DAVID STOREY. ARNOLD WESKER SNOO WILSON. The English Stage Company Ltd.

The Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square, SW1. February 27.

#### Countryside heritage

From Mr Richard Grove

Sir, Lieutenant-Commander Marten (February 25) asserts that high rates of capital transfer tax and income tax on landowners are leading to the despoliation of the countryside and woodlands in particular. As far as woodlands are concerned he has been sadly misled.

In fact, it is the system of forestry tax exemption and grants provision which is aiding the destruction of the British hardwood resource. Sales of timber are exempt from capital gains tax. Moreover, by switching tax schedules many owners are setting any expenditure on the wood off against income from other sources. This allows a family or a syndicate to fell ancient woodland and replace it with conifers very

profitably. This was done very recently at

#### Rates levy on moorings

From Mr R. A. S. Sampson Sir, The effect of the Rates Bill on the mooring of small vessels, to which Mr. G. H. Gower draws attention (February 23), is likely to be more serious than he realizes. My understanding of the situation is

that swinging moorings are already rateable under the General Rate Act 1967, but that the identifying and tracing occupants of these moorings makes the actual levying of tates impracticable as the cost of collection would far exceed any revenue. The new Rates Bill, in schedule 2, enables valuation officers to treat

two or more moorings on the same land (whatever that may mean) as a unit, and to demand the rates from the landowner, who will be obliged to act as unpaid rate collector and vill doubtless pass on the charge to the occupiers of the moorings. This will inevitably lead to the

development of a rash of moorings in separate ownership and occu organized than existing moorings, many of which are owned by clubs or boatyards, but will, in actual practice, be unrated. Obstruction to navigable waterways and an increase in hazards to vessels will inevitably OCCUL. In the interests of all concerned I

trust that the Government will have further thoughts about the conse-quences of this part of the Bill. Yours faithfully, R. A. S. SAMPSON, Commodore, Woodbridge Cruising Club, Ferry Quay.

Woodbridge, Suffolk. February 23

#### Spanoak Wood (a site of special scientific interest) in Bedfordshire by a pension fund, with a felling licence from the Forestry Com-

mission. Grants are available from the Ministry of Agriculture to carry out stumping of the wood once it is felled. As a result, many of our ancient woodlands are threatened.

It seems ironic, at a time when there is a surplus of conifer softwood from the enormous sustainable forests of Northern Europe and Canada and tropical hardwood forests are being rapidly destroyed, that we should continue to have a system which subsidises softwood production and destroys the beautiful and useable hardwood heritage which still remains.

Yours sincerely, RICHARD GROVE, As from: Darwin College, Cambridge. February 28.

#### No boundaries for Missing steps on smallholdings ladder. Open University under strain

From Professor Christopher Harvie Sir, Fifteen years ago I was one of the first academics to take up a post with the Open University, which i served for eleven very exciting years until appointed to Tübingen. From this vantage point, and with experience of European distancelearning projects, it is, I hope to make a reasonably detached assessment of its achieve-

My judgment, for what it is worth, is that the Open University's techniques and organisation and the expertise and adaptability of its staff are still well in advance of anything Europe has to offer in the distancelearning area. This is reflected in the respect in which the Open University is held and the weight given to its experience in any discussion of new learning methods - and not simply those involving audio-visual

techniques or distance learning.

One would have thought that a government professedly concerned to facilitate this country's adoption and exploitation of new information technology would further the development of this key institution; Instead, cut after cut in the Open University's budget (see The Times Higher Education Supelement, February 24) is disorganising its vitally important planning and production schedules, cutting its student num-bers, and steadily demoralising its greatest resource - its dedicated

The Open University certainly cannot be separated from the rest of higher education. It benefited from the flexibility of a system which itself enjoyed remarkable autonomy. Now it, like the other universities, is suffering not only from public expenditure cutbacks but from what seems a systematic attack on liberal culture as an impediment to business enterprise".

The prevailing Gradgrind approach to educational development and the Government's economic privatization are together wrecking one of the few areas of the "new technology" in which, in experience and trained personnel, Britain is still а world leader. Yours faithfully.

CHRISTOPHER HARVIE. Nuffield College, March 1.

#### Union immunities From Mr David Newell

Sir, I refer to Lord Wedderburn's ferocious response (February 17) to the call by the Master of the Rolls for "more trade union rights".

We do not know exactly what such rights would include or how they would be received by workers and employers. We do know that the employment Acis have been used by a number of employers with grave consequences for a couple of unions and their members and that, in the short term, workers have had to accept the courts' application of the Acts' provisions, but this has taken many trade unions and academic labour lawvers by surprise.

Surely in the current legislative environment it is correct for a debate to be initiated about the future shape of labour law, I cannot believe that it is in the unions' interests to return to the statutors regime created by the last Labou: Government.

The employment Acts have shown how easy it is to partially dismantle trade union immunities. There may be something to be gained by trade unions if they were to adopt the language of rights in the collective labour law field with more

enthusiasm.
The content of such rights must be a matter for wide debate. In all the circumstances it is surprising to find the debate being initiated by the Master of the Rolls and adjudicated upon by Lord Wedderburn. Surely it should have been the other way around.

Yours faithfully. DAVID NEWELL. The University, Leicester. February 20.

#### Stopping 'The Times'

From Mr C. G. Jarrett Sir. Your conclusion to "Kicking the

dog" (March 1) is absolutely wrong. We, your long-suffering patient readers are not astonished - we are bored to tears. We would like to know, quite simply, are the 10 engineers still working for you or not? Yours faithfully,

C. G. JARRETT, 15 Kensington Gate, W8. From Mr R. A. Leeson

Sir. On the occasion of each Fleet Street stoppage you produce the same mournful editorial. But on no occasion do you deal with the crucial question: Why is it wrong for newspaper employees to stop a newspaper for a single day and right for a newspaper proprietor to stop it for 11 months? Yours faithfully,

R. A. LEESON, 18 McKenzie Road. Broxbourne, Hertfordshire.

#### According to form

From Mr J. M. Welch Sir, Why can't HM Inspector of Taxes wait until after Budget

changes are announced before posting off our individual handwritten notices of coding (form P2(AC)). Perhaps the effects of getting

things right first time would set too great a precedent and result in too large a saving within department! Yours faithfully, J. M. WELCH, 43 Kennedy Crescent, Alverstoke, Gosport, Hampshire.

# SOCIAL NEWS

The Duke of Gloucester will open the exhibition, Californity 34, on behalf of the Society of Scribes and Illuminators, at the Central School of Art and Design on March 12.
The Dochess of Glodester, Commandant-in-Chief, St John's Ambulance in Wales, will open St John's Ambulance Museum, St John's Ambulance Museum, St John's Gate on March 14. Live

Gate on March 14.
Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, president Ladies' Guild of the St John Ophthalmic Hospital in Jerusalem, will attend a meeting at 1 Grosvenor Crescent on March 21.
The Duchess of Gloucester will attend a concert at London College of Music, Great Mariborough Street on March 26. could

on March 26.
The Duke of Gloucester will visit the Institute of Hydrology, Wallingford, Oxfordshire on March 27. Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester will attend a concert, in aid of

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State for Industry and Information and Space Administration.

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#### Receptions English-Speaking Union of

Countess Mountbatten of Burma, and the senior officers of the honorary president, Admiral Sir Institution were hosts at a dinner

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The Duke of Gloucester will strend a concert given by the Leinestershire Schools Chamber Orchestre, in aid of Leicestershire's Appeal for Music and the Ann (LAMA), at Stationer Hall on March 28.

The Duchess of Gloucester will open the Clinical Diagnostic Unit, Kidderminster Hospital and visit Brinton Ltd, Hereford And Ltd

will attend a ceremony to mark the conferment of the Freedom of conferment of the Precoon of Northampton on the corps, at Town Hall, Northampton on March 29. In the evening as parron, Pestalozzi Children's Village Trust, he will attend a reception at Martini Rossi Centre, London.

Requiem Mass for Mrs William Stirling of Keir will be offered at St Mary's Church, Cadogan Street, London, SW3 on Wednesday, March 14, at noon.

Mr T. Lot and Miss M. C. J. Bremley The engagement is annou

between Thierry, youngest son of M and Mme Pierre Lot, of Paris, France, and Christina, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Lance Bromley, of London and Gibraltar, Mr J. M. Paul and Miss S. Lambert Bandet

The engagement is announced between John, youngest son of the late Mr N. W. Paul and Mrs B. R. Cracroft of Woodsford, Dorset, and Sarah, daughter of Mrs C. C. Lambert, of Shotley, Suffolk.

Mr A. C. Picket and Miss C. M. Jones

The engagement is announced between Allan Charles, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. A. Pickett, of St Cloud, Paris, France, and Charlotte Marion, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Royden Jones, of Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, Gloucester-

Mr S. P. B. Tuite and Miss H. M. Tross Youle

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Mr Leolin Price, QC. Among those

The President of the Institution of

Metallurgists, Dr Robert S. Barnes,

experience the British and French

developed their own mustard gas, and a huge research effort mounted in the United States culminated in Lewisite. The name

is drawn from the Lewenstein process for making a formulation which produced similar effects faster than the original substances.

The US Government built chemical plants in 1945 for

purification of stocks of gas made by the Lewisite process.

The product of purification, by water-washing and vacuum distillation, is known as distilled mustard, or HD.

Estimates in the new study, published as a paperback called No Fire. No Thunder, and papers

institution.

Dinners

#### table Foundation at Trinity House on Wednesday, February 29. Admiral of the Fleet Lord Hill-Nor-Ast Luncheons ton also spoke in support of the Mr Michael Heseltine MP, Sec-

new Halim Abu Ghazala, Deputy Prime he π Minister and Minister for Defence their HM Government defet Mr Kenneth Baker. Minister of

Technology, was host at a luncheon given at Vintners' Hall yesterday in honour of Mr James M. Beggs, President Reagan's personal emissary from the National Aeronautics Royal College of Veterinary

The President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, Mr D. L. Haxby, and his officers entertained the Parliamentary Secretary for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Mrs Peggy Fenner, at luncheon at the college vested

z Union Pakistan held a reception at the Beach Luxury Hotel, Karachi, vesterday to meet Sir John Biggs-Davison, MP, Mr George A. Gardiner, MP, and Mr James White, MP, and Mrs White, Mr present were, QC. Among those present were. Lord Campbell of Alloway, QC. Sir Antony Buck, QC. MP, Mr Nicholas Lyell, QC. MP, Sir Antony Gerner, Mr Parick, Nicholas MP, Miss Berz? Cooper, QC, and Mr Nigel Thomas. Ahmed Jaffer, chairman of the council, received the guests. institution of Metallurgists

British Maritime Charitable

honorary president, Admiral Sir Anthony Griffin, chairman of the trustees, and Viscount Leathers, chairman of the founders council, were hosts at a recention held to Eur Raj

The alleged use of poison gas in the war between Iraq and Iran coincides with publication of a study of chemical and biological

weapons by three British academics. They trace the development of mustard gas – implicated in the present incident – and more

advanced compounds on which nerve gases are based.

Although mustard gas was the

first chemical weapon used 67 years ago, development of refined forms continued for more than 30

The first form was a brown

iquid, dichlorethylsulphide, re-sponsible for 70 per cent of the 125,000 gas casualties during the First World War. After that

Dr M. G. Adam. 72; Mr William Davis. 51; Sir Archibald Forbes. 81; Davis, 51; Sir Archihald Forbes, 81; Sir Bobert Fowler, 70; Professor Sir Charles Frank, 73; Mr Frankie Howerd, 62; Mr Lorin Masarel, 54; Mr Richard Noble, 18; Lord Roberthall, 83; Sir Ian Dixon Scott, 75; the Right Rev David Sheppard, 55; the Hon Samuel Silkin, QC, 66; Sir Peter Stallard, 69; Dame Kirl Te Kanawa, 40; Mr D. H. Whitaker, 53; Sir Oliver Wright, 83.

#### Royal Ascot

The list for applications opened on January 1. Those wishing to apply for Royal Enclosure vouchers should do so personally in writing to Her Majesty's Representative, Ascot Office, St James's Palace. London SWI 1BP, before April 30 stating the full names of those members of their families who require vouchers and their agest if between 16 and 25 and their ages if between 16 and 25

New applicants must apply before March 31 and will be sent forms which should be completed and signed by a sponsor who has been granted vouchers for at least six previous years. No forms will be considered if they are returned late

or incomplete.

In the event of the list of new applicants being oversubscribed, it may be necessary to hold a ballot for Gold Cup Day, June 21. If this should occur new applicants will be informed of the result in May. In the enclosure, ladies will wear formal day dress with a hat, which must cover the crown of the head, and gentlemen will wear morning dress with top hat, or service dress,

#### Marlborough College

Marlborough College is able to offer more scholarships from this year. The following awards have recently



There is a similar increase in the number of academic awards to be made after the scholarship examin-ation in May, Closing date for entries April 34. Applications to the Registrar, Tel. 0672-52684.

#### Malvern College

Entrance scholarships and exhibitions, 1984: The Master of the Society of Apothecaries of London, Sir Peter Porciz reservorial echolography: T J Young, Beliment, Mill Hill.

Major echolography: D Biovers, Roberty, J Feliconer, Emiscole Lawn; N J Robberty, Everyfield: S Bastry, Limedael Cathedral School; D R Welters, B Amesimus, Milnor acholography: Lamelwood Haught C Berner, R L Goldward, Parkiwood Haught C Berner, C Bedisburd, Parkiwood Haught C Berner, Hillstone and Majvers College to Britisher, Hillstone and Majvers College, N Corstorphism, Erector Lawn; P de Wilde, Liendael College to Rickson, Alexander Cathedral School; A C Hawdin, Grast Houghton: B R Hickson, Aleyro Court and Majvers College T R Humphreys, Makish Hoffman, Precord Lawn; P de Wilde, Liendael College T R Humphreys, Makish Martin, Mostly Houne; G R Nishelt, Waltingberguagh Junior; J T Scathorough; St Amesime R puller, Lichfield Cathedral School; A D S Rydfire, Ripon Cathedral Choir School; E B Walsh, The Downe, Golwali, Minor reunic acholor-wide; R D Good, &t George's School, Wickson, Porch memoriei schol Beknant MIII Hill. Tizard, presided at a yeomany dinner held at Apothecaries Hall, yesterday, assisted by the Sculor Warden, Professor N. Ashton, and Warden, Professor N. Astron, and the Junior Warden, Professor J. A. Dudgeon, Those present included: Dr Nigel Computed, Professor A C Turnbull, Dr Slephen Bryans, Dr D J March, Dr T D Whittel, His Honour Sr Carl Aurvold, Mr W F W Southwood, Mr J Kiricup, Colonel Neld, Professor J M Hardionald, Professor Peter Richards and Professor D V 1 The Society of Conservative Lawyers held its annual dinner at the Savoy Hotel last night: Sir-Edward Gardner, QC, MP, chairman, presided and the guest of honour was Viscount Whitelaw, CH. A voice of thanks was given by the last of the control of thanks was given by Downs, Colwell, Miner remeis acholershin: R D Good, St George's School, Windoor, Mines Lander, Catheles, Hallfried; D Dise, Lander, Cathedral School; Palconer, Encote Lawn, Art scholarship: S Cerry, Encote Lawn.

#### Moreton Hall Shropshire

Science report

Why troops still have to fear mustard gas

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

by 1957.

The following acholarship awards have been made from September



prepared for the International Institute of Strategic Studies, abow that the Americans have stocks of about 20,000 tons of mustard gas.

All British stocks were destroyed

Mustard gas is a vesicant; that is, it causes blistering of the skin. When British soldiers were first exposed to it they did not bother to

put on their gas masks because they felt only a slight irritation to

After some boars the irritation gave way to a great pain, relieved only by morphia. Individuals severely exposed suffered internal blistering and death from congestion of the lunes.

tion of the lungs.
Polson gas was not used in

Guildhall had a couple of unusual visitors yesterday when Mr Thomas Copas, a farmer, of Cookham Dean, Berkshire, brought Anna, a Highland cow, and her calf to London to help to launch the Post Office's latest set of postage stamps depicting cattle breeds. The Highland cow appears on the 16p stamp. (Photograph: Chris Harris).

paid for a highly coloured figure of a scated elephant. The bid was 688,200 French francs where only 100,000 ff to 150,000 ff had been

A less salubrious echo of Europe's

iavolvement with China was the magnificent cloisonne enamel cen-

ser and cover, standing on gill-bronze elephant heads, stolen from

ser and cover, standing on glitbronze elephant heads, stolen from
the Summer Palace in Peking when
it was sacked by Brinish and French
soldiers in 1860.

The censer, with gilt-bronze grills
alternating with elaborate enamel,
stands almost six ft high and was
brought back to England by Lord
Loch in 1861. It made the top price
in the sale at 888,000 ff testimate
500,000 to 700,000 ff) or £74,747
and will be going back east, having
been bought by Robert Chang, a
Hongkong dealer.

The sale totalled £554,383 with
20 per cent left unsold. The
subsequent evening sale of French
furniture was more strongly competed for, totalling £803,385 with 11
per cent unsold while yesterday
morning's furniture sale made
£436,824 with 5 per cent unsold.

A group of chairs made by Foliot
for the Château of Fontainebleau
was the most sought after iot in the

#### Sale room

#### **Governor Duf sets** an auction record

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent The figure sold in Monaco was exceptionally large and finely coloured. The price, at last, tops the sensation of 1973 when £50.000 was

The porcelains made in China in the eighteenth century for the European and American markets are enjoying a Renaissance, according to Sotheby's who, at £57,929, set a new auction price record for a single piece of Chinese export porcelain in Monaco on Sunday.

piece of Chinese export porcelain in Monaco on Sunday.

This price was paid for a figure of a Dutchman in flowing robes and conical crowned bat, standing 17 inches high and dating from the reign of Qianlong (1736-1795).

The Chinese artificers made their wares to conform with European last and they meated this firms in the firms.

taste and they repeated this figure in various sizes and colours. He is generally known as Governor Duf. after a governor general of the Dutch East India Company, Governor Diedrik Duiven.



The Governor Duf figure, which sold for £57,929.

#### Latest wills

Sir Henry Charles Husband, of Sheffield. South Yorkshire, the structural engineer who designed the radio telescope at Jodrell Bank, left estate valued at £550,046 net. Other estates include (net, before tax paid): Lambert, Mr Uvedale Henry Hoare,

Misener, Mr Laurence, of Maiden head, Berkshire £658,588 Peake, Mrs Maeve Patricia Mary Theresa, or E234,007
painter E234,007
Gifford Scott, Mrs Kathleen
Dorothy, of Doddiscombsleigh,
£601,821

combat in Europe during the Second World War, and there is only one record of its use in Asia, by the Japanese against the Chinese. In the past 10 years there have been many allegations in the Middle East and South-east Asia.

Research also produced the new

class of nerve gases, the first generation of which, the G agents,

generation of ward, the Gagents, were developed in Germany in plants which fell into Soviet hands almost intact. They were succeeded in the 1950s by the discovery of Vagents, one of which is the most toxic nerve gas ever

No Fire, No Thunder, (Plato Press

# University news

#### St Andrews

Princesse de Lamballe.

were sold to a Paris buyer.

The chairs can be traced in the

royal inventories as delivered to the chateau in 1786 and 1787. They

The new Master of the United College is to be Dr Kathleen Maclver, formerly senior tecturer in the department of geography and currently dean of the faculty of arts. She is the first woman to hold the post.
Dr MacIver, who succeeds

Professor David Brynmor Thomas. Bute professor of anatomy and experimental pathology, will take office for a four-year term from August 1.



Dr Kathleen Maciver, of St Andrews

Durham Grants

Science and Engineering Research Council: £172,944 to Professor Q Q Roberty and Dr M J Holoxie to support courses in Integrated m J processe to support courses or enter several could design.

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#### Appointment to chairs

M. P. Coward, Phd, reader in earth sciences, Leeds University, to geology at Imperial College of Science and Technology, C. E. Gunton, DPhil, senior lecturer in Christian doctrine and history at King's College London, Department of Christian King's College London, to Christian doctrine at King's College London J. N. Hoberaft, BSc (Econ), chief o J. N. Hoberaft, BSc (Econ), chief of the comparative analysis and special studies section, World Fertility Survey, Lundon, to population studies at Loadon School of Economics. Celia M. Hoyles. PhD. principal lecturer in mathematics education, Polytechnic of north London, to mathematics education at Institute of Education, Raymond Levy. MB. ChB. PhD. Raymond Levy, MB, ChB, PhD, consultant psychiatrist. Bethlem Royal and Maudatey Hospitals, to psychiatry of old age at Institute of Psychiatry. A. H. Waters, MB, BS, PhD, professor of haematology at St Barthologrew's Hospital Medical College, to haematology at St College, to haematology at St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College, Professor J. M. Ogborn, reader in physics education, Chelses College Centre for Science and Mathematics Education, to science education. Institute of Education. Conferment of title of Professor

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Professor Harold Hankins has been appointed Principal of UMIST from Honorary fellowships will

rionorary reliowships will be conferred on the following in May: Dr. Duncan S. Dayles, Mr. Anthony Goldshope, Emerous Professor Tom Mintern Fres, Dr Jonathus Miller, Str Citye Streight. Professor John Mentily Thomas. Fres.

#### NEWCASTLE

Honorary degrees are to be conferred on the following in May: DCL: Mr Frank S. B. Chao, marine engineer, and Mr Michael Breartey. was a lecturer at the university from DSc Sir Kenneth Blaxter, FRS. director of the Rowett Research DEng: Sir Duncan McDonald.

chairman, Northern Engineering Industries. Industries.

DLitt: Joyce Maine Reynolds, fellow and director of studies, Newnham College. Cambridge.

MA: Mr Thomas Allen, the singer.

Birmingham
Honorary degrees will be conferred
on the following in July:
DLit: Professor Jacob Ajaji,
professor of history, University of
Ibadan.
LLD: Sir Douglas Black, former
president of the Royal College of
Physicians: Dr Solomon Ward,
general practitioner.

general practitioner.

DSc: Professor Sir Hermann Bondi, chairman, Natural Environment Research Council; Sir Walter Marshall, chairman, Central Electricity Generating Board; Sir John Vane, Nobel prize winner for medicine. medicine.
DD: Right Rev High Montefiore.

Bishop of Birmingham.

DMss: Mr Simon Rattle, principal conductor. City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.

DSoc See Professor Sir Alan Walters, economic adviser to the Prime Minister.

Oster
Honorary degrees will be conferred
on the following in July:
DLht: Miss Jennifer Johnston
(contribution to literature): Lord
Thomson of Monifieth (higher
education and services to public):
Dr B. L. Trainor (Public Record
Office. N. Irelands: Mr. Bryden
Thomson (services to Julies) (services to Ulster Thomson (services to Ulster Orchestra). DSc Mr W. A. McNeill, chairman of governors, Ulster Polytechnic and Dr T. K. Whitaker (higher

Mr William Powell, the debonair, sophisticated leading man of some of the best of Hollywood's light comedies of the 1930s died yesterday at the

OBITUARY

age of 91. He will chiefly be remembered for his playing in The Thin Man series with Myrna Loy. In those days there were not many native Americans in Hollywood with the style for the sophisticated, almost drawingroom type of comedy, and Powell with his small, near moustache, his urbane manner and his air of slight but unruffled surprise at the melodramatic adventures which befell him. made a welcome change from his tough and wisecracking contemporaries.

film career was that it was not until comparatively late in life that he took up this intimate style of comedy. Throughout the silent days, and after the coming of sound, he was generally labelled as a heavy rather solid type of American hero - and the change only came after the MGM director. W. S. Van Dyke, had directed Powell in 1933 in a typical New York detective story. The Thin Man. and he decided that Myrna Loy and Powell would be admirably suited to play the elegant and debonair married couple who were the central characters.

Louis B. Mayer, the head of the studio, thought it a bad idea. and was only won over by the promise that it would be a little and made a handsome profit at the box office; and Myrna Loy and William Powell became major stars over night. William Powell was born in

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on July 29, 1892. He was educated in Pittsburgh and at the American Academy of Dra-matic Arts in New York He appeared in New York in The Ne'er-do-Well in 1912, toured the United States in stock years on Broadway as an actor and singer.

He started his film career in

#### commissions

Sandhurst

The following have been granted short service limited commissions in the regiments or corps shown, having successfully completed the short service limited commission short service limited commission course no 14 at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst:

R G S Adams, QOH. Dutwich C. R J Antulii. RA Felsird S. A K Arkell. RTR. Addenham S. R G Bacon. RA Hobopale S. A T Baker. RA Part S. R A R Cantello. R HAMPS. Royal Hospital S. R A Carr. RA Loughborough GS. S. S. M. R. Cockermonth G. Carledo S. Ton. 2GR. Tonbridge S. M. J Domes, RG Wellow S. S. S. S. Cockermonth G. T. Carledo S. Ton. 2GR. Tonbridge S. M. J Domes, RG Wellow S. S. N. Edwards, RTR. Belloy HS: T. Elhol. R. Kings Manor S. A. J M Fardon, C.R. Addiston Combe S. J R Flynn, Rawargarav Physiol S. B. Foster. R

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#### St Aubyn's School

St Aubyn's School, Woodford Green, Essex celebrates its centerary during the present academic year. Among the celebrations is the governors' wine and cheese party on June 15, 1984, and old boys not already on the mailing fist are invited to write to the headmaster for full details of this and of other for full details of this and of other

#### Latest appointments

for the Château of Fontainebleau was the most sought after lot in the sale, bringing 910,200 ff (unpublished estimate 600,000 to 800,000 ff) or £76.616. The group includes four finely carved straight-back chairs, painted grey, and a matching armchair (bargère) from the rooms of the Comicsse de Provence and a pair of armchairs (bargères) from those of the Princesse de Lamballe. Latest appointments include Mr David McCarraber to be a Circuit Judge on the Western Circuit.
Mr. Norman Ward-Jones to be member of the Gaming Board. Mir Rory Coonan to be art officer at the Arts Council, responsible for the works of art in public places scheme and patronage schemes.

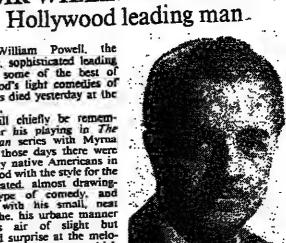
#### world dominance at the weight.

to 1950 at a period when fighters from Britain enjoyed John Joseph Monaghan, an Ulsterman, was born in Belfast on August 21, 1920 and started boxing at 15. He acquired his

was active especially in his native city where, among his few defeats was a knockout in 1938 by Jackie Paterson whom he was ten years later to relieve

over when he established his claim to fight for the British title by beating Bunty Doran in flyweight championship in

Marino, the Hawaiian over 15 rounds to win the NBA flyweight title and on March 23, 1948, met the Scot Jackie Paterson who had held the world title since 1943. Having had difficulty making the in much of a condition to weather Monaghan's attacks. the second round he eventually succumbed and was counted Monaghan the World, British



MR WILLIAM POWELL

1920, in a part in Sherlock Holmes with John Barrymore. and thereafter was kept regularly employed, often in cos-The curious thing about his tume pictures. He was in Beau Geste in 1926, with Ronald Colman and Noah Berry, The Last Command, with Emil Jannings: Beau Sabreur, with Gary Cooper, The Four Feathers, with Richard Arlen and Clive Brook: and many other silent films.

By 1937 he was being rated as one of the biggest box-office stars in Hollywood, having played the name part in The Great Ziegfeld, with Myrna Loy and Luise Rainer: Libelled Lady, with Spencer Tracy and Jean Harlow, The Last of Mrs Chevney, with Joan Crawford; and My Man Godfrey, with Carole Lombard, He continued to appear

frequently in films for the next 20 years, and was seen with cheap picture to make. It was great success in middle age as filmed in 16 days, cost very an orthodox pater familias with Irene Dunne in Life with Father, and as a naval commander of the old school in Mister Roberts. The light touch which Van Dyke had implanted in 1934 remained with him for the rest of his acting career, and was largely responsible for his continuing success.

After Mister Roberts, which

was released in 1955. Powell retired from the screen and went to live in Palm Springs companies, and then spent eight with his third wife, Diana Lewis, a former actress. He was previously married to Carole

#### **RINTY MONAGHAN**

Rinty Monaghan, who has and Empire titles all of which died at the age of 63 was world Paterson had held, at one fell swoop.

nickname "Rinty" as a result of schoolboy hero worship of the film star dog Rin-Tin-Tin. In the years before the war he

of his world crown. The war years saw little boxing for Monaghan who joined the Northern Ireland ENSA, but it had not been long

November 1945. in 1947 he beat Dado

In February of the next year however Monaghan astonished

his followers by being beaten by the young Islington flyweight. Terry Allen, in a non title fight during which the world champion paid several visits to the canvas. In April 1949 he defended against Maurice Sandeyron of France, adding the latter's European championship to his world and British title after beating him over 15 rounds. Allen again

Monaghan in September and again gave the Ulsterman a hard time, though did not succeed in relieving him of his titles in a 15 round contest which ended in a draw. In the following year Monaghan increasingly suffering from Bronchial catarrh which had ship fights, announced his retirement.

Though his reign as champion was short, Monaghan, was a colourful fighter who had an educated left jab and a hard right book. But he had difficulty keeping in condition in his latter years. One of his most notable traits was his habit of weight Paterson was not really entertaining the Belfast crowds with a song after his fights. Win lose or draw he was apt to sieze Dropped for a count of seven in the microphone after the verdict and render "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" or "How out in the seventh. This gave Can You Buy Killarney" for his

#### MR L. P. THOMPSON-McCAUSLAND

Rudi Weisweiller writes: Your obituary of Lucius Thompson-McCausland (February 25) concentrates on his distinguished career in the Bank of England and his part in shaping the world monetary system of today. I had the good fortune over many years to receive his help and advice in explaining currency matters; this showed me the width of his perspective and the depth of his understanding. However his interests outside

money matters were many and real. As a devout and practising Christian he put his pro-fessional knowledge at the disposal of the Church of England, especially in the diocese of St Albans. He was active in many ecumenical endeavours and discussions. He served as High Sheriff of His connexion with the

Working Men's College at and positive.

lar mention. In the 1920s he volunteered to teach English there, and 40 years later resumed evening teaching and successfully prepared a class of adults for an O Level in Latin. using revolutionary new teaching methods. At the same period he and his wife enrolled as students in the Italian class: the fanatical classicist was determined to be able to communicate also with the present inhabitants of Tuscany. He was vice-chairman 1957-

Camden Town deserve particu-

64 and chairman 1964-1969 of Corporation, the college's body of trustees, and was then elected to be Principal of the College. an office he held for 11 years with great distinction and obvious enjoyment. His courtesy and moderation made "T.M." an ideal mediator and a genial host. His part in steering the College through years of

#### MR GEOFFREY BROWNE A correspondent writes: helped to cause a considerable

Geoffrey Browne, who died on February 17, was not simply the founder and builder of the Economist Intelligence Unit, but he was also the man who first succeeded in selling market and economic research in Europe and in the developing world to American business. In the 1950s he was an indefatigable traveller and salesman in North America, to such effect that the company he directed became as well-known a name there as native companies and was the first successful British exponer of economic and market research.

He was instrumental too in persuading the World Bank to consider economic consultants on a par with engineering consultants, and in so doing son, Viscount Enfield.

and permanent change in the way in which the Bank examines major investment projects in the developing world. "GSB" would be incomplete without mention of his gift for recognizing promise in young people and his skill in nurturing it. His

help to people seeking career advice was well-known and came easily from someone who had earlier had to make a choice between joining the Hong Kong-Shanghai Bank and becoming a professional footballer with Charlton Athletic.

The Earl of Strafford. 7th Earl, died on March 4 at the age of 79, and is succeeded by his

sugar will also be offered. English subject matter includes a set of eight tinted lithographs of 1852 depicting views of Lowestoft

Decorative, 10pographicas and Sporting Prints: Tuesday, March 6, Decorative, Topographical and 10.30 am, King Street: Edward Lear, 19th century writer and watercolourist, is represented in the sale by his very rare series of 20 views in the Seven Ionian Islands, a subject which was of in the sale by his very rare series of 20 views in the particular interest to him. A set of six views of Antigua by William Clark relating to the process of making

by Henry Charles Trery. Chinese Export Porcelain: Wednesday and Thursday, March 7 and 8, 10.30 am both days and at 2.30 pm only on Wednesday, King Street: A 650-lot sale over two days will feature a Doucai 'Commedia dell'Arte' plate for the Dutch market, painted with a figure dancing on a tiled stage. From the Kangxi/Yongzheng period, this plate belongs to a series of six which satirised speculation in John Law's 'Company of the Indies' and the London South Sea Company. A large hardwood rectangular throne from the 18th or early 19th century is

expected to realise in the region of £3,500 to £5,000.

Modern British and Irish Pictures: Friday, March 9, ever seen. He was commenting on what artist Mark Gertler (1891-1939) himself described as 'a large and very unsalcable picture of a Merry-Go-Round' on which he was working. Gertler's forebodings about its saleability were well founded... but it should realise between £40,000 and £60,000 at the end better part of 80 years.

Clocks and Watches: Thursday, March 8, 10.30 am, King Street: A Joseph Knibb quarter-striking bracket clock with tic-tae escapement, circa 1680, is the highlight of this sale. An extremely rare walnut miniature longcase month-going timepiece, again by this famous London maker - the third of only two previously published examples - will also be offered.

11 am and 2.30 pm, King Street: D. H. Lawrence was deeply stirred by it and thought it quite the best modern picture he had of the week. Works by Irish artists will include no less than six items by Sir John Lavery, of which one has been 'lost' for the

CHRISTIES

AWEEK IN VIEW For further information on these and other February sales, call 01-839 9060 for King Street or 01-581 2231 for South Kensington. Criminology with special reference to personal Reference to personal Reference to Economical blockerical standard of Economical blockerical standard Reference Research:

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on dollar

The dollar came under pressure against the Japanese

yen and the Swiss franc yesterday, while sterling closed mixed on the foreign exchanges

as speculation over a cut in UK

The pound closed up 40 points at \$1.4850 against the

dollar, but its value measured

against a basket of leading

currencies fell by 0.3 to 82.1.

Sterling suffered most against

the yea, closing 5.0 down at 333

Rates continued to ease in the

domestic money markets in

anticipation of a 1/2 per cent cut

in bank base rate to 8½ per cent

yesterday, down 4.5, while

against the Swiss franc it slipped from SwF 2.1510 to 2.1245. The American currency

was also weaker against the Deutsche mark although it

closed off the lowpoint, down 1/2

The dollar closed at 223.5 year

interest rates persisted.

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The rocky road leading to fiscal neutrality

Since its inception, the Institute of Fiscal Studies has been trying to grapple with the distortion of savings by the tax system. Its first effort, in the Herculean Meade report on direct taxation, fell by the wayside rightly. Its idea of a savings deductible expenditure tax required an enormous upheaval to achieve relatively little and would have resulted in the basic rate of tax being much higher - precisely the opposite of what should be the top priority for longterm income tax reform.

A new IFS study called Savings and Fiscal Privilege by Mr John Hills scores another frustrating miss. It is frustrating because Mr Hills has ingeniously managed to parade the distortions in a quantified spectrum of "privilege" - the difference between the effective rate of tax on the real return from different forms of personal investment - in the most graphic. and convincing way yet.

The problems are plain to see: in terms of economic efficiency, equity, the diversion of savings to institutions or the bias in favour of investments used by the wealthy and the sophisticated.

Whatever the intention of tax allowances, for instance, it is daft for a 10-year life assurance policy cashed early to earn a far greatenrelative tax benefit than a long-

Indeed tax can play such an overwhelming part in the difference between the real rates of return on different investments that the old City saw that you can sell at Englishman anything so long as it saves him tax shows the Englishman in a more canny light than most suspected.

Mr Hals's suggested solutions must, however, be judged a failure because, again, they create more complexity and as many new problems as they solve.

In a half retreat from the Meade position Mr Hills wants to split investments into two categories: the privileged, like persions, life assurance and house purchase and the unprivileged, especially deposits and achieve fiscal neutrality within each group, to a tax inflation-adjusted return equal to the individual's marginal rate of income tax.

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

For the privileged modes of saving he wants the money put in to be fully deductible from income tax but the money taken out fully liable. This means taxing capital sums as income, producing either massive unfairness or the complexities of tax spreading on a large scale. One coincidental effect, full taxation of cash commuted from pensions, runs right against the reasoning behind the current fervour for pension reform.

On the non-privileged side, Mr Hills calls for index-linked capital gains to be treated as income and is in general much too hung up on impractical index-linking schemes to aid uniform taxation of real

The principles and some of Mr Hills' suggestions are correct. But are we any nearer seeing some progress? The Treasury has just taken steps to equalise the treatment of banks and building societies but in the process seems intent on penalising bank depositors who do not pay income tax by extending the building society composite tax rate rather than abolishing it.

The Chancellor is evidently about to move heavily into the taxation of savings in his Budget. On the surface he has two linked aims: to ease distortions between closely competing institutions in ways that ease the Inland Revenue load.

More throughgoing reform runs up against the old political problem that it is much easier to give a tax privilege than to take one away.

Unless changes are properly phased over a period (in stark contrast to recent moves), they merely upset people's plans and expectations and create a general air of uncertainty.

But the correct tax reform, however long it takes, might be to phase out relief of pension contributions and life premiums and the self-defeating relief of mortgage interest in order to slash the basic rate of tax. In the end, lower tax rates are the best antidote to distortions.

#### Base rates conundrum

Amid general euphoria, the Government broker yesterday pressed yet another tranche of official debt into the eager paims of the gilt-edged market. At roughly Ham, with long stocks agead by half a point he revealed that supplies of the £1 billion/long tap, Exchequer 914 per cent 1998, were exhausted. They dropped on initially at 25% then at 25% and finally at

Apirt from helping the funding programme, the tap sale shows the scale of turneund in sentiment in gilts during the past month. Issued in early February, and kittel out with super-star status as the first medum-dated issue for two and a half year. Exchequer 94 per cent 1998 immediately fell into the dog stock category. The issue flopped under fears of higher US interest rates and the bulk was left at the post. Since then, however, gilts have risen by as much as 2½ points.

By mid-afternoon yesterday, the wind was again beginning to change.

The money market has clearly made up its mind that base rates are on the way down. Reluctance to part with paper prejumably accounts for the mere £8m of band one bills purchaseed yesterday morning by the Bank of England, while over-supply of credit by the bank in the afternoon was taken to condone what had happened, while leaving intervention rates

were unchanged. Diher parts of the market, however, are kerping a beady eye on the conditions of the new tap, I billion of Exchequer 10 per

cent 1989, announced with precision timing last Friday, for sale by tender tomorrow. At 10 per cent, the coupon is back into double figures, and suggests that the bank will be more concerned to hurry slowly over lowering rates, in the hope of retaining some curbs on the present credit

January's retail sales figures, which show a 3 point plus fall in volume compared with the December index, are a murky guide decause of dad weather and fog in the statistics. More pertinent will be today's announcement of the money supply figures for the February banking

The smart move according to dealers, is to play the put and call option and wait for the money sypply figures, since tomorrow's tender offers a reasonably painless way back into the market, if the figures are good. But technical factors could still torpedo such delicate calculations. The word now is that building societies have seen a massive £1,250 billions inflow during February, and such cash must surely find its way into gilts sooner rather

In addition, the authorities are rumoured to be cooking up a shrewd deal with the building societies, whereby taxsensitive low coupon stocks can be swapped for the new tap, on a cash for cash basis. Assuming this story is true and no-one was actually denying the possibility last night - then the new tap might disappear without trace, base rate

#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### Goldsmith confirms **US** deal

Sir James Goldsmith yesterday confirmed reports that his General Oriental company had acquired "as an investment" 4.7 per cent of the common stock of St Regis Corporation, the US paper-maker. He has paid \$59.8m (£40.4m). GO has also entered into an agreement with other investors who have paid \$52.5m for another 3.9 per cent of St Regis.

The associates are believed to include Charterhouse J. Rothschild, the London merchant bank and Mr Kerry Packer's Consolidated Press of Australia. Talks, so far inconclusive, have been held between Sir James and the St Regis board.

 Mills & Allen International has bought Glen Insurance Brokers for £2m. Glen has 25 stores with an annual income of 44.9m and this takes M&I's branch network to 118, servicing 330,000 customers.

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9 New Zealand's current account balance of payments deficit narrowed to \$NZ92m (£44m) in January from SNZ205m in December, compared with a \$NZ34m surplus in January last year.

• Palmer and Harvey yesterday made a £1.28m rescue bid tor P. Panto. the loss-making wholesale tobacconist, confectioner and grocer. The terms of the offer, worth 30p a share in cash, have been agreed by the company's directors.

# Hongkong jobs boost

jobs for between five and seven years in Britain's areas of high unemployment, Mr Len Dun-ning, executive director of the Hong Kong Trade Developpower station at Daya Bay, in

Hongkong's order for two equipment from Britain, which electric power plants, worth £2 probably makes Hongkong the billion, has provided 17,000 biggest British market in the Far

substantial deals that are now being done," Mr Dunning said. ment Council, said yesterday.

And if this month's bid by

GEC to supply turbines and setting up in Hongkong proved.

East. But more British companies have to learn how to use Hongkong's unique relationship with China to clinch the very

other equipment for China's that the more alert companies nuclear programme succeeded, had ignored gloomy reports it would only be because about the colony's future.

Hougkong had agreed to buy "During 1983," he said, "a back 70 per cent of the total of 257 new foreign

electricity from the new nuclear companies registered in Hongkong and in the first 10 months China. foreign interests invested HK\$7.8 billion (£91m) in the pounds worth of sophisticated manufacturing sector alone.

# Barclays' profit rise dented by Pound gains heavy bad debt provision

results season for the big clearing banks yesterdy with a much stronger underlying performance than expected. But a large and unforeseen increase in the bank's general provision from £6m to £85m depressed the profits, with the result that a 12.5 per cent gain at the pretax level to £557m was broadly in line with what analysts had

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Over past five years Barclays general provision has averaged £21m, but Sir Timothy Bevan, chairman, justified the sharp increase on the grounds that it reflected "general and continuing uncertainty in the world". Barclays also said it wanted to restore the level of general provisions which had fallen in recent years.

However, analysts suggested yesterday that Barclays may be respond-ing to Bank of England hints to increase provisions and may

By Frances Williams

**Economics Correspondent** 

dropped by 3 per cent in

January, giving the retail trade

its worst month since last

summer, But fears of an end to

the consumer spending spree

may be premature.

Heavy snow and the start of

winter sales in late December

are thought to have been largely responsible for the fall, accord-

ing to officials at the trade and industry department.

by the Confederation of British

industry suggests that business

recovered strongly in February. Despite the January setback,

the volume of retail sales was

still 2.5 per cent higher than a

year earlier. Trade in the three

months to January, adjusted for seasonal factors, was I per cent

Cuckney in

line to

head Royal

By Philip Robinson

Sir John Cuckney, the man backed by financial institutions

to rescue John Brown, has

emerged as favourite to become

the next chairman of Royal

Mr Daniel Meinertzhagen,

Royal's present chairman, is 70

next March. It is the company's

custom to elect its chairman

annually and not to allow

directors to remain after their

told shareholders of Alexanders

Yesterdat Mr Meinertzhagen

seventieth birthday.

insurance.

The latest survey of retailers

Business in the shops

Barclays Bank opened the also have been influenced by speculation that next week's budget will contain some nasty

Including a one-fifth rise in specific provisions to £390m, the total charge against the profits for bad and doubtful debts rose from £328m to £475m - about £100m higher than most outside estimates. However, Barclays is confi-

dent that provisions in Britain and the United States will be down this year, although it is more cautious about Asia, where Hongkong has been a particular problem. Because the general provision is not allowable for tax and the group did less leasing last year.

the group's tax charge has risen steeply from £131m to £220m and earnings per share were down from 96.7p to 84.8p. But dividends for 1983 are still net, a rise of 9 per cent.

being increased from 22p to 24p

January lull in spending boom

RETAIL SALES AND CREDIT

100.4 102.5 107.9 103.9 105.5 107.3 108.3 110.3 110.9 111.0

Source Department of Trade and Industry.

up on the previous three months and 5.25 per cent above

Rebasing of the retail sales figures, so that 1980 now equals

100, has slightly reduced esti-

the level of a year ago.

1984 Jan



Sir Timothy: continuing uncertainty

in the United States, after a £35m preinterest loss in 1982 reflecting heavy provisioning against loans to several large corporate customers. Although provisions were still high in 1983, US operations recovered

to a £16m profit.

per cent over 1982 to 5.3 per

The government will publish

next week its Budget forecasts

for the economy over the

Separate figures from the

trade and industry department show little slackening in

forecast by Liverpool Univer-

sity economists headed Pro-

fessor Patrick Minford in their

coming year or so.

Africa were further boosted by currency gains on translation and showed a 51 per cent gain to £118m in sterling terms.

United Kingdom profits before loan stock interest increased from £416m to £425m. The domestic bank suffered from a higher level of bad debt provisions than expected carly last year and contributed an unchanged £314m. However, the previous year included £45m of gilts profits compared with very little

Barclays has been keeping a tight hand on domestic costs. Staff numbers in the parent bank were unchanged, and there has been some volume growth with advances up 11 per cent to nearly £19 billion. But a rise of about one-third in commission income in the parent bank was the most significant factor on profits, reflecting higher bank charges for personal and corpor-

STOCK EXCHANGES

plennig at DM 2.5755.

FT-SE 100 index: 1053.7, down 7.0 (day's high: 1064.3, low: 1053.7)

FT Index: 832.6 down 6.3 FT Gilts: 82.83 up 0.11

FT All Share: 499.91 down Bargains: 23,210 Datastream USM Leaders

Index: 108.85 up up 0.03 New York: Dow Jones Average: (latest) 1165.10 down 6.38 Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10,088.94 up 32.43 Hongkong: Hang Index 1102.05 up 22.42

**CURRENCIES** 

LONDON CLOSE \$1.4850 up 40pts Index 82.1 down 0.3 DM 3.8325 up 0.0025 FrF 11.7750 down 0.015

Yen 333 down 5.0 Dollar Index 125,1 down 0.4 DM 2.5755 down 0.0052 **NEW YORK LATEST Sterling \$1,4880** 

Dollar DM 2,5100 INTERNATIONAL ECU £0.584911 SDR £0.717017

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates Bank base rates 9 Finance houses base rate 91/2 Discount market loans week fixed 91/2-9 3 month Interbank 91/18/81/18 **Euro-currency rates:** 

3 month dollar 10-101/2 3 month DM 512/16 - 511/16 3 month Fr F 161/2 - 161/2 US rates Bank prime rate 11.00 Fed funds 91/18

Treasury long bond 981 /18 -

GOLD

Krugerrand\* (per coin): \$418-419.50 (£281-282)

# From Bailey Morris, Washington For the first time since the Polish debt crisis of 1981, Western banks are to resume

puter group, is seeking a quote on the London Stock Exchange. Barclays Merchant Bank yesterequity, at 270p a share.

shares being admitted to the official list, it expects dealings

At the price sought, the company would have a stock capitalization £28.4m. Barclays said that since the year ended December, 1979 Systems pretax profits have risen at an annual compound rate of 86.5 per cent and amounted to £2m for 1983.

the trade name Tei-Tag.

# Eastern block loans to resume

lending this year to the Soviet Union and Eastern block countries, which have made impressive progress in reorga-nizing their economies over the past three years. Surveys by private US banks

and the private forecaster Wharton Econometrics in Washington, revealed Western banks, particularly those in Western Europe expect dramatically. Preliminary fig- nations more flexibility.

Poland, which remains deeply in debt, the collective debt of the five other eastern European nations declined from \$35.9 billion (£24.5 billion) in 1981 to \$29.9 billion last June, when the most recent figures were compiled.

During the same period, the trade balances of Eastern

countries of \$5.3 billion, compared with a deficit of \$3.9 billion in 1980 and a surplus of \$475m in 1981.

These gains have convinced bankers in the West that they should ease pressure on Eastern Europe to repay its debts and at the same time increase the pace European countries improved of debt rollovers to give the

# **SAVINGS** UNDER ATTACK

It seems likely that the Government will abolish Life Assurance Premium Relief in Nigel Lawson's first Budget announcement next Tuesday. Such a move would clearly have far-reaching effects for all investors — so it's absolutely vital to ensure that you take maximum advantage of LAPR before it disappears for ever.

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Outside Japan, the most Osawa subsidiaries among the 42 foreign banks are Inter-Alpha (Hong Kong) with 881m yen, United Overseas Bank

Tokyo newsletter. bankruptcy Japan since the war. Its total debt is placed as high as 125 billion yen.

products, especially

#### latest Quarterly Economic Bullmated growth last year from 5.7 etin. Satellite costs hit **News International**

A dividend of 3.5415p per

share was declared yesterday on News International's Special

Dividend Shares, being the sterling equivalent of the interim dividend of 5.5 Austra-

lian cents declared by the board of News Corporation for the

The dividend will be paid on

April 27 to shareholders on the

register on April 5. News Corporation owns 100 per cent

of the voting shares in News

International, and 89 per cent of

terday reported a profit of

A\$52.27m (£33.36m) for the

half-year to December, against

A\$27.16m in the first half of last

year. The latest figure was mainly due to unfavourable

fluctuation on foreign currency

transactions and conversions,

less net gain on disposal of non-

current assets. Total revenue was up from A\*714m to

News Corporation itself yes-

the non-voting shares.

year ending June 30, 1984.

By William Kay, City Editor

News International, the British arm of Mr Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation, yesterday announced that profits for the half-year to December 31, 1983, rose to £18.65m against £12.22m for the comparable period in the previous year. Turnover was up from £194.70m to £223m. News International owns Times Newspapers, publisher of The Times and The Sunday Times, and also publishes The Sun and

News of the World. However, the profit has been

struck before extraordinary items. The net deficit on these items rose from £1.77m to £32.16m. A statement from the company said: "Extraordinary items consist of the settlement of the transponder leases in the United States, and other costs following the decision to postpone satellite operations in the country, and unfavourable cur-

rency movements. Computer group Sir John Cuckney: expected to

Discount that he would retire as their chairman at the end of this month. Alexanders has agreed a £29m takeover bid from Mer-cantile House Holdings. "It would not make sense for me to remain as the new merger goes through and I approach my seventieth birthday," he said.

Royal Insurance has two deputy chairmen: Sir John and Mr Malcolm McAlpine. Mr McAlpine, in his mid 60s, has been a director since 1977 and deputy chairman since 1980. Sir John, aged 58, became a Royal director in 1979 and was appointed a deputy last year.

Traditionally Royal appoints its chairman from the ranks of the deputies. Mr Meinertzhagen was made a director and deputy chairman in 1974 before taking over as non-executive chairman

from Sir Paul Chambers. Next month a clear indi-cation of the new heir apparent will emerge with the publication of Royal's annual report and accounts. These are expected to show that Sir John will become the sole deputy chairman.

seeks quote By Wayne Lintott Systems Reliability, a com-

day announced the sale of 2,631,500 shares, equivalent to 29.6 per cent of the company's The broker to the issue is Phillips & Drew. Subject to the

to begin on March 19.

Systems Reliability designs, manufactures and sells computer-based telephone manage-ment equipment and provides back-up maintenance for its own and other manufacturers' computer systems. It sells under

# Four British banks face losses

Japanese trader goes under From Richard Hanson, Tokyo

Shock waves from the collapse of a medium-sized trading Hongkong and Shanghai Bank group in Tokyo, J Osawa and with 1.243 billion yen. Most of Company, are being felt by a large number of banks around the lending by these three banks was made to Osawa subsidiaries the world, including four British banks, which stand to lose part. around the world, according to a list published yesterday by if not most, of a reported 16.2 billion yen (£45.9m) credit given by foreign banks. The Osawa group, a little-

Japan Financial Report, 2 Tokyo-based economic newslet-Further down the creditors' known company, may have list are Midland Bank with dished up the worst and most 220m yen (£620,000) lent to Osawa in Japan and 356m yen widespread losses ever suffered by foreign banks in doing (about £1m) to Osawa overseas. business with a Japanese com-National Westminster with Citibank is the largest of the foreign lenders, with 2.7 billion 533m yen (£1.5m) loans in

Japan and Grindlays with 400m

yen, followed by Chartered yen (£1.13m) in Japan. Glo-community. It is the third Bank with 1.862 billion yen and bally, there are 42 banks in 14 largest corporate failure in countries involved. In Japan, there are 73 banks who have lent 42 billion yen. heavily involved in loans to

(Singapore) with 341m yen, and National Australian Bank with 326m yen, according to the

Osawa's petition for court protection last week, under laws. rocked the Tokyo financial

The damage has already

begun to spread. Mamiya Camera, whose high-quality products were distributed by Osawa, yesterday sought court protection with 25 billion yen in debts. This is the first instance in Japan of one listed company bringing down another since the end of the war. Osawa's woes began with a slump in camera sales and its other lines of

#### people's eagerness to borrow. Retailers, finance houses and other specialists lent £965m in January, only slightly less than December's record of £978m, Steady rapid growth of 3 to The offer, which will compete 4 per cent a year accompanied by a return to price stability and a drop in unemployment to under 2 million by 1987 are

with that of Trafalgar House, the shipping and property group, is believed to involve the retention of most of the Scott Lithgow work force in the hope that the Scottish yard's two outstanding rig contracts - with British Petroleum and Britoil -

Trafalgar House, owner of the QE2, reached conditional

The fate of the yard, which will be closed if the two bids are withdrawn, now seems certain to be decided this week, Trafalgar House has been involved in negotiations with British Shipbuilders for two months and now has a team of

Howard Doris, which already followed on Thursday by a contractual meeting between Britoil and Doris's chairman, Mr Albert Granville.

# **Rival Scott**

Howard Doris, the Anglo-French oil rig builder, is expected to deliver its rival bid today for the threatened Scott Lithgow shipyard on the Clyde after talks yesterday with British Shipbuilders and leading union

can be renegotiated.

continue negotiations.

60 people engaged on the deal, an expense which it will very soon be forced to curtail.

#### Lithgow bid likely today By Edward Townsend **Industrial Correspondent**

agreement to buy the yard on February 8, but the deal favoured by government ministers at the time - would result in up to 2,250 of the 3,500 workers losing their jobs. The agreement lapsed at the end of February, but Trafalgar House has since made clear its intention to

operates a vard at Loch Kishorn on the west coast of Scotland, appeared confident yesterday that it would succeed in taking over Scott Lithgow. Today, its technical director, Mr Ian McLeod, will deliver a 2,000 page technical presentation to Britoil in Aberdeen. This will be

London fixed (per ounce): am \$406.85 pm \$405.85 close \$405.50-406 (£272.75-273.25) New York (latest): \$405.25

Sovereigns\* (new): \$95.2596.25 (£64-64.75) \*Excludes VAT

a surge in terms of net new ures from Wharton Econolending to the Soviet block.

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Executives of Reed Stenhouse Gibbs will be manning

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life assurance policies. However, there are equally strong indications that this will not be removed from policies already in force.

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Duly Express. J. March 1984. for further details and an application form NOW – and make sure your

application is submitted in time for your "Super Plan" to be issued before the Budget.



Alan Price: top place at Plessey

Hartrison and Mr B N Tribe have been appointed directors managing director of C Rowbo-tham & Sons (Insurance) and of the company, a subsidiary of Gill & Duffus Group. Mr P J Day has been made deputy chairman. Mr K B Jenkins and the title of group chief executive, and become deputy chairman. Mr C H Bowen will assume the responsibilities of Mr R M Swinchatt have been appointed joint managing direcgroup chief executive. Mr Dennis continues as chairman of all the subsidiary boards and retains responsibility for companies in which the group has an investment. Mr Bowen will Ibstock Johnsen: Mr Philip Ling has become a non-executive director. He is group managing director of London & Midland Industrials. be appointed deputy chairman of the subsidiary boards, with the exception of Rowbotham de

Tyzack & Farbess Mr Edmund Barton has become a partner in the associate com-Rougemont. pany in Hong Kong, Tyzack & Partners (Far East). National Home Improvement Council: Mr Jim Fallon, MK Electric's director – external Hanson Trust: Mr Peter Harper has been appointed relations, has been re-elected to director, Mr harper is executive

the board.

Arbuthnot Factors: Mr Gordon Harris and Mr Roger Taylor have become directors. D. Anderson & Son: Mr Richard Gribbin has joined the board as director responsible for finance and administration. He was previously company sec-retary and chief accountant.

#### Bullough's second purchase in a week

By Philip Robinson

Bullough, the engineering and furniture making group, yester-day paid £4.8m for a private business aids and stationery company. It brings to more than film the total Bullough has spent on acquisitions in the past week, and to almost £15m in the past five months.

Five days ago it paid £6.5m for George Barker and Com-pany (Leeds), the engineers, which also makes refrigerated display cabinets, 87 per cent of whose sales went last year to

Marks and Spencer.
In the latest round, Bullough's has bought, for cash and shares. Westwood Holdings from Mr H. Gerald Kennedy and his family. It is paying £4m cash and issuing 265,000 shares.

Last night Bullough's shares fell 10p to 323p.

Bullough is funding the

purchase through a seven-year loan from its bank. Net assets of Westward at the end of last December were £2.68m. Pretax profit came out at £981,000 after £10.2m exceptional costs on sales. Exceptional costs, including pension provisions, amounted to £181,000 last year and are estimated at £69,000 from the date of the acquisition. Westward's business aids

operation imports and distri-butes guillotines, collators and other office equipment. Bullough's profits record has

been patchy but they rose to a pretax high of £6.8m last year.

# British Vita given 43% earnings lift

By Jeremy Warner

British Vita, which makes shareholders funds, every division had a "very significant foam rubber and duvets, staged a big recovery in profits last investment programme year and should fare even better this year, as all the company's

The most exciting of these he saw as the £2m investment by saw as the L2m investment by the consumer products division on a new fully-automated factory at Middleton, near Manchester. ment programmes.

Profits before tax leapt 43 per

The project will create 80

boosting the group's return on capital from 18 per cent to 23 per cent, helped by the econjobs.
Capital spending in Europe generally is projected to rise by more than half this year, from last year's level of £3.5m. The omic recovery.
On the stock market yesterday, the company's share price group is also planning signifi-cant international development rose 9p to 213p encouraged by the results and inspired by news of a 3p final dividend, raising particularly in Australia and the

the total for the year from 5.4p Far East to 5.9p. A one-for-ten scrip issue is proposed. The A due to go The Australian company is due to go public in the next few

Although the big increase in that with a stronger balance profits last year came in Britain, sheet, showing net borrowings overseas profits were slightly down to 12 per cent of lower.

#### Farm machinery maker harvests 57% profit rise

Ransomes Sims & Jefferies, the Ipswich farm machinery manufacturers, said vesterday that it has continued its recovery, with profit before tax up by 57 per cent to £3.2m for the year to December 1983.

Once again the performance was assisted by the results of the year up by more than £600,000 to £1.7m, which group profit after tax and extraordinary items for the year up by more than £600,000 to £2.19m there is a final

divisions increase their invest-

cent, from £7.4m to £10.6m.

Mr Robert McGec, the company's chief executive, said

control over working capital, in particular stocks, allowed a reduction in group borrowings of £5.3m. Interest payments

US subsidiary, Ransomes Inc.
At home, the rationalization of the parent company's manufacturing operations and improved

to £2.19m. there is a final dividend of 10p which, together with the interim dividend, will make a total of 15p for the year.

chairman of Allders, the retail

division of Hanson Trust. Ferranti: Mr David Grundy,

lead of Ferranti Microelectro-

nics Centre, has joined the

Rowbotham Insurance Group: Mr P F Dennis will

relinquish the position of

board of Ferranti Electronics.

# Barclays well placed as economic recovery gathers speed.

The Chairman, Sir Timothy Bevan, said today: I am pleased to report that pre-tax profits at £557m were 121/2% ahead of 1982.

Growth in underlying trading results has been good, particularly in our international division where there has been a strong recovery. These results have been achieved in spite of a continuing high level of provisions reflecting specific and general problems experienced by borrowers in some sectors at home and abroad.

However, our results after tax and minorities are 12% lower than last year mainly due to a higher tax charge, in part reflecting lower leasing activity. We are proposing to maintain our policy of dividend growth but at a lower level of 9%.

The world's financial and economic difficulties have called for banks to reinforce their capital

The Directors of Barclays Bank PLC report the following Group results for the year ended 31st December 1983:

adequacy and during 1983 we increased our capital resources by over £700m through profit retentions and loan capital issues. As economic recovery gathers speed in the UK and overseas, Barclays is well placed to continue to play its part in supporting investment in industry and financing exports.

The planned merger of Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays Bank International which, subject to Parliamentary legislation, will take place on 1st January 1985, will further strengthen the Group as a major British force in increasingly competitive world banking.



Sir Timothy Bevan, Chairman of Barclays Bank PLC

5th March 1984

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#### CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1983

Operating profit
Share of profit of associated companies. Total Group profit Interest on loan capital Profit after taxation Profit attributable to minority interests in subsidiary companies. Profit attributable to members of Barclays Bank PLC. Dividends: Interim ..... Proposed final.... Profit retained Earnings per £1 Ordinary stock Dividends per £1 Ordinary stock....

The information given in this preliminary announcement does not comprise full accounts within the meaning of Section 11 Companies Act 1981. Full accounts containing an unqualified report given by the auditors will be published on 29th March 1984, and copies will be delivered to the Registrar of Companies in accordance with Section 1 Companies Act 1976.



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#### Management buyout for two IMI subsidiaries option to acquire the remaining

IMI, the Birmangham-based matals group, has sold two small local subsidiaries to the existing management. National Westminster Bank has supported the deal with a £1.5m

financing package.

The decision to sell IMI Wilkinson, which employs 120 people in Saltley, and J. R. Ratcliff (Metals), which Ratcliff (Metals), which employs 73 people in Newton, was taken by IMI after attempting to return the companies to profits after three years of

The six-man consortium which is taking over the businesses includes Mr Geoff Birch, previously managing director of the two subsidiaries, and Mr Alec Abercrombie, the former financial director of IMI Rolled Metals. IMI Wilkinson manufactures nickel silver which is used in the telecommunications industry. J. R. Ratcliff makes brass strip and

Both businesses have been hit by falling demand for their products.

#### In brief

● LEDA INVESTMENT TRUST: Commercial Union has sold 120,000 income shares (9.94 per cent) in Leda Invest- CENTREWAY tax profits for year to Oct 31, 1983, £283,000 (£287,000). Turnover £2.85m (£2.73m). Total dividend unchanged at

1.15p net a share.

SANTOS FACILITIES, a subsidiary of Santos Ltd., has signed a US \$100m (£67.5m)

signed a US \$100m (£67.5m) term-loan agreement in Singapore. The funds will be used by the Santos group for its expanding general corporate funding needs. The loan was arranged and managed by Australia and New Zealand Banking, Singapore branch.

ADWEST TAKEOVER: The Adwest Group has bought the Abeco and Esgo plastics machinery companies from Mr Z. Bieganski and members of his family. Principal activity of Abeco is specialist tools for the electronics and electrical industries. Adwest has aquired 75 per cent of the capital, with an signed evelopment. north of Staples Corner adjacent to Edgware Road and close to Brent Cross Shopping Centre. Consideration was of the order of £7m.

Charles Corner adjacent to Edgware Road and close to Brent Cross Shopping Centre. Consideration was of the order of £7m.

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Charles Corner adjacent to Edgware Road and close cent of the capital, with an \$760.2m to \$779.7m.

25 per cent after three years. aquisition was £685,000. • CDFC'S £1.4M INVEST-

MENT: Commonwealth Development Finance has invested \$Can.2.5m (£1.4m) in Counsel Trusteo Corpn., the holding company of Counsel Trust, an Ontario-incorporated company. Counsel Trust had gross assets of \$Can.ho7m in December. 1983. It main activity is mortgage lending, funded by customer-deposits. BRIDON is to buy selected assets of US Steel through its US offshoot, Bridon American Corp. Main assets included in the agreement are the wire rope and strand manufacturing facilities in New Jersey and Ediana. Value of these assets is about

\$3m (£2m). ● PARKER KNOLL: Half-year to Jan 31, 1984. Turnover £20.26m (£18.75m). Pretax profit £1.42m (£1.4m). laterim payment up from 2.5p to 3p net

O DARES ESTATES has agreed to buy Rogate for 12.6m in loan stock. Rogate owns freehold and long commercial properties with a market value of about £5.21 m.

ment Trust, reducing its stake to 495,000 income shares.

NEW EQUIPMENT: Preof Digico, for £265,000. Dinco of Digico, for £265,000. Digico is based in Leeds and manufactures mini and micro camputers.

SLOUGH INDUSTRIAL

ESTATES has sold to Stell Pensions Trust the first two phases of its Garrick industrial centre development north of Staples Corner adjacent to Edgware Road and close to

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#### BAYER AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT

34 per cent. Bond Loan of 1984/1994 (with Warrants attached giving the right to subscribe for shares of Bayer Aktiengesellschaft)

By wrote oil the authority granted at the Annual General Moeping of the Company held of 23rd June. 1982, the Board of Management has announced the issue of up to DM 500,000,000 304% Bond Loan of 1984-1994 (with Warrans attached group the right to intermine him there of Bayer Attempesselantah) (the "New Bonds"). The New Bonds of DM 473,217,000 noment have been subscribed by a Genman banking consortum and are being offered at par, by way of ingles, to the Company's shareholders and to holders of its 5% Convertible Loan Stock of 1989 and holders of to 5% Convertible Loan Stock of 1989 and holders of to 5% on the following basis.—

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# **Investors** switch to gilts as shares slip

MARKET REPORT • by Michael Clark

It was a day for profit-taking esterday, as investors decided Discount 5p at 753p.

The life insurance market thought many of them may have been carrying unusually

Government securities. Further indications from the money market of a ½ per cent cut in bank base rates before at the longer end of the market. The Government broker was finally able to exhaust remaining supplies of the "tap",

Exchequer, 10 per cent 1989 being offered by way of tender ahead of dealings on Thursday. Refuge Assurance 12p at 404p and Sun Life 25p at 574p. Dealers expect the issue to be warmly received by investors who have decided to sell part parts of their portfolios to pay for it. As a result, by the close, longs had seen their lead cut to only £1/4, while mediums and shorts were barely changed on Friday night's close.

Dealers said that the market's undertone remained firm, but, after the exhaustion of the "tap", it was suffering from

indigestion.

The equity market quickly ran out of steam after a furn start, with the big City institutions deciding to use the second leg of the account as an excuse to level up their pos-itions ahead of the Budget. A disappointing start to trading on Wall Street did little to stem the flow of seilers.

The retail sector was singled out after the latest set of Retail Sales figures failed to live up to market expectations.

The FT Index closed 6.3 down at 832.6, having been 3.1 up at 10 am, while the FT-SE 100 dropped 7.0 to 1053.7.

Blue chips were all marked lower, with BOC Group down 3 at 257p, Beecham 10p at 321p,
Bowater 6p at 250p, Glaxe 15p
at 780p, ICI 4p at 588p, Plessey

at 257p, Beecham 10p at 321p,
to link up with in the run up to
dual capacity. Yesterday a
partner. Mr Graham Fereuson. 4p at 216p and GEC 3p at 183p.

Among the big high street clearers Barclays Bank got the bank's reporting season off to a start. But the figures were judged to be below par and the shares after dipping 514p closed unchanged at 522p. The three remaining banks, all reporting later this week, appeared to take the news in their stride, apart of brewery shares ahead of from National Westminster today's beer production figures

Discount up 1p at 59p, Gerrard bread 'A' 1p to 144p. January is announced it now & National 3p at 317p, Smith St usually a slow period for the cent of company.

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markets began operations yes-

terday. At the close the dollar,

which had been about a cent

down on the pound earlier, was

stance on Middle Eastern uncertainties, but growing

speculation over a cut in United

prompted a little nervous

interest

The pound was down against the Deutschemark at 3.8260

(3.8300) and also showed a

rates

Sterling maintained a firm

40 points lower at 1.4850.

The dollar staged a late rally

Aubyn lp at 67p and Union breweries so soon after the Discount 5p at 753p.

Christmas festivities and it is

worried by uncertainties over high levels of stock. the tax treatment for life insurance policies and gilt per cent fall in January owing to investments. Only the appearlong produced gains of up to £1/2 ance of a few cheap buyers swept the country. Analaysts enabled them to close above their worst levels, Britannie lost, bounce of figures in February 13p at 465p, after 461p, Equity ing supplies of the "tap".

Exchequer, 9% per cent, 1998, at the partly-paid price of £25%.

Lists open tomorrow for the new "tap" - £1,000m of Fxchequer, 10 per cent 1989 - 774p.

Partlength Aoft, Edmity & Law 23p at 754p after 751p, Hambros Life 12p at 416p, Legal & General 9p at 474p, London & Manchester 8p at 774p.

Partlength 12p at 422p at 42p at 4 774p, Prodential 2p at 438p,

> Southern Resources, the Australian gold miner which raised unchanged at 211p.
>
> A\$1,25m (£801,000) last year to prove its Mt Pleasant gold prospect near Kalgoorlie, is to 468p after the likely to rear Kalgoorlie, is likely to report good drilling results in its April quarterly statement. London brokers were told last week that Mt Pleasant's reserves could be at least 4 its clients has refused to pay up million ounces. At 116p the after certain deals in shares of shares are below their high for Atlantic. A further announce-1983-4.

The composite insurance companies, half way through their reporting season, were able with the placing price of 155p. to muster selective support with Commercial Union continuing to rally in the wake of recent The broker de Zoete & Bevan, but disappointing figures. The shares ended the day 5p higher at 179p. General Accident placing, which valued the entire added 11p to 486p, Guardian months to May 31 the group. Royal Exchange 5p to 528p, Phoenix Assurance 7p to 448p

and Royal Insurance 7p to

Wedd Durlacher & Mordaunt, London's largest jobbing firm. has confirmed it is down to a short list of suitable applicants dual capacity. Yesterday a partner, Mr Graham Ferguson, denied weekend speculation that the list included Kleinwort Benson, Chase Manhattan or Phillips & Drew, "It's not even inspired guesswork, but we are down to a shortlist of two or three", he said.

Dealers reported late buying which lost 15p to 694p. Lloyds for January. These are expected to make brighter reading than originally thought and added 1p to Allied Lyons at 152p, while prompted support for the discount houses with Citye Breweries 2p to 207p Whitheread 'A' In to 144p. January is

cated yesterday that it was not

yet prepared to accept the lower interest rates for which the

market was pressing.

By mid-morning, steeply declining money market rates were all but discounting the possibility of a round of base

rate cuts from 9 to 81/2 per cent.

Houses, therefore, were not willing to sell paper to any significant extent when the

authorities sought to relieve a shortage of about £250m.

But the Bank, perhaps with today's announcement of bank-

ing figures in mind, was not to

be shifted in its dealing rates. Hence only £81m of bank bills

# Gartmore to launch information trust

THE TIMES TUESDAY MARCH 6 1984

agement, a fund management extraordinary meetings on group owned by Exco Inter- March 28. These include a national and British & Com-, change of name to Gartmore monwealth Shipping, is starting Information and Financial its own investment trust specializing in financial and information technology. It is believed to be the first such British fund.

Gartmore is creating it through the London & Lomond Investment Trust for which it has provided the investment management service since the

The retail sales showed a 3

the winter blizzards which

now estimate that the expected

will now still leave the final

figure below December's record

level. Among yesterday's casualties Debenhams lost ip to 154p, House of Fraser 2p to 282p, Boots 6p to 163p, Great Universal Stores 'A' 7p to 588p

and the ordinary 4p to 601p.

Marks & Spencer ip to 233p

and British Home Stores cut

short an early lead to close

Irish oil exploration group

Atlantic Resources slumped 30p

to 468p after the news that

Dublin stockbroker Harvey &

Leahy had been suspended

under Rule 15 (3) after running

into liquidity problems. One of

its clients has refused to pay up

ment may be made later today.

healthy premium in fist-time

dealings at 172p, compared

The group, which supplies

floor-coverings and carpet tiles,

was brought to market by

months to May 31, the group has forecast pretax profits of

has decided to suspend dealings

in the Hongkong property group, Mandarin Resources -

just a week after dealings were

started in London. Mandarin.

was suspended on the Hongkong market for many months

at about the 5p level, but received a London quote after a

cash injection from Jenks &

dealings under Rule 163 (4)

until further notice, but no

reason was given. The shares were suspended at 5p. Rule 163

(4) governs dealings of foreign

stocks quoted on the London

ACT THE RSDK ORD FROM was not entirely unsympathetic

day's assisantce to £371m.

when lending the market £290m late in the session to take the

Houses were prepared to pay

up to 9½ per cent for funds during the morning and early

afternoon, but once the late help

filtered through, secured money

rates fell away. Closing balances

were mostly taken at about 5 or

creased as period rates extended

Friday's decline in early trading.

Sterling certificates of deposit dealers reported brisk buying in

nearly all periods out to one

year during the first hour.

Pressure on base rates in-

6 per cent.

On the Unlisted Securities Market, shares of John Kent, which came to market earlier this year, following a de-merger from Amber Day fell 1/2p to 391/2p after Trustees Corp.

Cattel, the garden tools group. A statement from the Council said it had decided to suspend

£750,000

market.

MONEY MARKETS

The Bank of England indi- hands at the old levels.

Burmatex opened with a

1930s. About 40 per cent of London & Lomond investments are in information technology, mainly in America. Gartmore has close contact with an American west coast venture capital firm, Chappell & Co. through a 30 per cent stake owned by Fisdec, an investment group which is 40 per cent owned by Exco and 60 per cent owned by British &

Gartmore Investment Man- the changes at the annual and

In the stock market yesterday the shares jumped 12p to 117p. The fund is worth about £60m.

#### Beechwood shares are suspended

Shares of Beechwood Group,

the Weish-based construction and mechanical engineering group, were suspended at 9.35am on the London stock market yesterday, after falling to a new low of 15p for the year, had been suspended at the

company's request, pending clarification of its position. For the six months to September 30, Commonwealth Shipping. 1983, the group reported losses
London and Lomond will of £682,457, against pretax
seek shareholder approval for profits of £101,879 last time.

#### **GKN** bid ruling 'in two weeks'

By Andrew Cornelius

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission has delivered its report on the proposed merger of rival Midlands motor com-ponents manufacturers, Guest, Keen & Nettlefold and AE (formerly Associated Engineering) a week ahead of schedule Mr Norman Tebbit, the trade and industry secretary, received his copy of the report last week and is expected to give his verdict on the merger within the

next two weeks. Analysts expect the Monopolies Commission to give the ail-clear for GKN to renew its £67m bid for AE with a higher

GKN has argued that the merger should be seen in the context of the wider international markets. But AE says that it would create a monopoly in the supply of engine bearings and cylinder linings and that there would be a net loss of business to Britain.

#### WALL STREET

#### Stock prices weaken in moderate trading

New York (AP Dow Jones) - at Kidder Peabody, expects the Shares were moving down with market to mead water in the the Dow Jones industrial near term. There was little average off 6.70 points to weekend news to help things 1164.78 in early trading. The along but the pace should pick Transportation Index was down up lateston. International Business Machines was off ½ at 111%; General Motors off ¼ to 69%;

Declines had a 3-to-2 lead over advances in moderately

active trading.

president for technical analysis American Express off % at 29%. WALL STREET

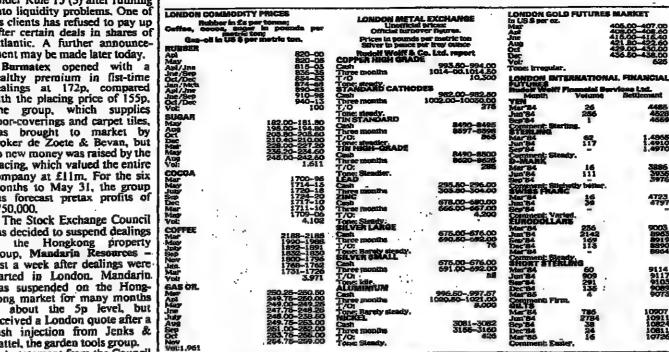
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#### There's still time to claim a very valuable tax bonus

For many years now, savings linked with life insurance have been one of the most effective ways of building up a really worthwhile capital

a range of high performing investments, your savings qualify for a tax bonus from the

But is this too good to last? There are very strong indications that on Budget Day-next Tuesday-the Chancellor of the Exchequer will end this important tax bonus on life assurance policies forever. You may have seen one or more of the many

newspaper reports predicting the end of this bonus. Here are two of them from last Friday:-66The 15% premium 66 Tax relief

Daily Express

relief is what is at risk.99 threatened.?? The message is clear

ACT NOW

**OR YOU** 

TOO LATE!

You should start a new regular savings plan now-for as high a contribution as you can. That way. you may well secure the maximum tax bonus for yourself, before it vanishes altogether. The newspaper reports predict that the new rules will only apply to new policies taken out after Budget Day. That means you have just one week left in which to start saving in one of the most tax-efficient and profitable savings plans available today - "Aims in Life" from Cannon Assurance.

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# £2.9m video deal for Carlton

company's business last year.

about leasing transponder time on a direct broadcast satellite which it expects to be a high growth area over the next five years.

Carlton's shares rose 5p to 460p on news of the latest acquisition. The purchase price consists of a £2m cash payment with the rest in shares which the vendors have promised to hold

#### **Forshaws** may raise Border bid

for control of Border Breweries of Wrexham broke out into the open yesterday when Forshaws Burtonwood Brewery of War-rington said it was contemplat-ing a bid "materially higher than 250p a share" which would be worth £23.4m in total.

The statement was prompted by news that Border was very close to agreeing takeover terms with Marston Thompson & Evershed, the Burton-on-Trent brewer. It is believed that the share swop terms were to have been irrevocably accepted by enough shareholders to give Marston control, depriving Forshaws of the chance of

The Forshaws chairman, Mr Graeme Dutton Forshaw, said he was furious about the impending deal with Marston. He has been given until two main operating divisions, travel and hire, both of which are trading wrotishly once to make his new bid or not.

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# Black profits up after shop sales

The new look Black & Edgington, stripped of the traditional camping and leisure business for which it was best known, increased pretax profits from £1.1m in 1982 to £1.4m

last year. However, the which is now controlled by Mr Michael Ashcroft's Hawley Group after a £15m bid last June, points out that comparison of the figures between the two years is misleading because

of the disposals during 1983.

These included the Blacks
Camping and Leisure shops, which were sold to a consor-tium of businessmen and investment institutions for £3m. They have been excluded from the reported 1983 results

are trading profitably, once

further disposals which are under discussion have been

completed. The travel division, which is what attracted Hawley's bid last year and which includes the Evan Evans coach tour com-pany, made profits of nearly £2m last year on sales of

£18.9m. Significant growth is expected from this business and indi-cations for 1984 are promising,

with bookings up by a quarter on the same period last year. The group is charging £4.2m to reserves because of the losses incurred on the closure of two companies and provisions being made for other closures.

A dividend of lp on the ordinary shares and 3p on the convertible participating cumu-lative preference shares will be

The company's shares fell 6p to 110p after news of the results.

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#### Carlton Communications is the biggest in post-production of promotional videos, particu-larly for the popular music expanding its presence in the fast-growing British video and film industry with the purchase of Video Time for £2.9m in industry. All the independent British television companies use Video

The group describes Video Time, which was formed in 1978, as "one of the most comprehensive facility houses in Europe." Its business is mainly the adaptation of tele-vision programmes from one standard national television system to another. It also transfers film onto video tape.

dubs and puts still slides onto In the year to the end of this month it is expected to make pretax profits of £400,000.

The acquisition will further consolidate Carlton's position as one of the largest post-production film companies in

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Video Time is looking for additional premises and is in talks with British Telecom

Britain. It already claims to be for at least two years.

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# Jeremy Warner examines a fast-moving predator which has stayed the course

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London Brick

£250m

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£74m

Hanson director, agrees: "There

was nothing wrong with the quality of management at Ever

Ready when we took them over.

There were a lot of good people

there that knew decisions had to

be made. But somehow nobody was responsible, decisions were

not being taken, and as a

consequence the company was

problem areas. But we did not do the rationalization. We let

Ever Ready do it for them-selves. When you tell people what their jobs are and intro-duce incentives, then they begin

to make decisions in an entirely

different way. They become motivated to success."

performance of the company's

share price is carefully moni-

tored. Over the last three years

it has risen by 550 per cent, outperforming the rest of the

In top management, the

"It was easy to identify the

sliding rapidly into the sea.

It took nine weeks, three bids and £250m, but in the end Hanson Trust finally won control of London Brick, Britain's largest brick maker, keeping intact Lord Hanson's reputation for always getting

what he wants.

In the closing days of the takeover battle, there was more than a suspicion that Hanson might have met its match. Lord Hanson, its chairman, never had any such doubts. "We paid chactly what we expected to. We always knew we could win at this price." he said from the group's unpretentious offices above a branch of the National Westminster Bank in London's Brompton Road.

Yet the whole episode has left the City faintly puzzled. London Brick is undoubtedly a desirable property, but the price Hanson eventually paid was hardly cheap. It is also quite different from Hanson's recent acquisitions, notably Berec and UDS.

Berec, the batteries group, now called Ever Ready again. was arguably fading into oblivion when Hanson stepped in. retailing companies suffering from a lack of decision making.

Neither of these descriptions fits London Brick, According to Lord Hanson it is "esentially a well run and managed company with a good market." And if its senior directors were a little slow in taking profit-motivated decisions they have been learn-ing fast over the last two years and would certainly have a prosperous independent future before them but for Lord

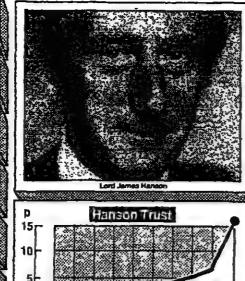
The explanations for Hanson's interest range from the trivial to the Machiavellian. Some people like fast cars and women. Lord Hanson seems to like bricks," said one stockbroker after Hanson had upped the ante in the takeover battle for the second time - an unprecendented event in the annals of Hanson takeover tactics.

Judging by his playboy reputation during the 1950s, Lord Hanson probably likes all three. Certainly there is no attempt to play down an conservative. There is no hint obvious love for the brick of the rebel - an image industry. "We are very very pleased with the acquisition." he said. "This is a unique opportunity to put together two aspects of an industry we understand quite well because of our long standing involvement through Butterley Building Materials.

However, there is more to Hanson Trust than Lord Hanson. Personal emotional attach-ments to particular businesses business by London Brick's

# How Hanson aims to build on triumph of London Brick

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would surely not be allowed to dictate takeover strategy in a group whose astonishing development through acquisition probably owes as much to Sir Gordon White, controller of the group's extensive American operations, as to the man from whom it takes its name.

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It would, for instance be difficult to imagine Hanson ever allowing itself the luxury of the five-year obsession with the House of Fraser stores group that has so consumed Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland's

Hanson's style is essentially conservative. There is no hint clung to by Mr

The conservative nature of the group provides the clue to the latest takeover. London Brick is basically a solid business. It is typical of the unglamorous industries that have built up today's Hanson

Hanson might have feared an

1974 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 plans to build a fifth force in non fletton bricks.

However, Butterley is only a small part of Hanson and could hardly provide the justification for a £250m takeover. Nor should the idea that Hanson will sell off clay reserves to recoup some of its investment and raise brick prices substantially more than London Brick to improve profits, be taken too

Ever Ready, and to a lesser extent UDS, have burdened Lord Hanson with the image of n axeman. But Hanson's secret is more simple. It believes in achieving an adequate return on capital. If it cannot, it sells or

Lord Hanson says: "London Brick, of course, cannot be compared with either Ever Ready or UDS when we took them over. It is much more like United Gas Industries when we sequired that company in 1982. It is a reasonably good business on which we hope to improve by providing incentives and

Mr Martin Taylor, another

the FT-30 share index, although its growth and size would have justified a place long ago.

The obsession with share price is revealing. The old idea that having to perform for shareholders provides the discipline businesses need to succeed has been developed into a fully fledged philosophy at Hanson.

According to Lord Hanson: "It doesn't matter what you are making. We cannot boast a single glamour business. What matters is how you go about what you are making. Share-holders realize this these days. Our strength and the reason why we are in the FT 30 now is that we are good managers with bold objectives."

Hanson has always given the impression of a company in too much of a hurry. The doubters have waited for it to stumble for years. But after some hard early essons that may have saved i from the over-confidence of the Slater Walker era, it has barely missed a step. Even its capital structure is geared to maintaining the breakneck pace of earnings growth seen in the past, with more than a third of it in deferred equity - the Hanson convertibles legendary on the Stock Exchange. This provides both incentive and necessity for rapid profits in future to avoid earnings dilution.

The company is said to be mean and critics believe that it fails to invest adequately for the future, preferring to rely on acquisitions where easy profits can be made out of selling assets to maintain the pace of its expansion.

Certainly the three to fouryear payback period that Hanson expects on all new investment is extremely short by most standards and manpower in the research and development at Ever Ready has been severely cut since Hanson

But the proof of the pudding is in the long-term figures. While Hanson might run a lowtech and generally unexciting portfolio of products, it has consistently done well out of most of the businesses it has taken on board for the longer

It should also do well out of London Brick although it would be foolish to expect the rapid financial return that was unhieved with Ever Ready.

stock market by more than 200 From now on Hanson's eaze The acquinition of London turns back to the United States which, after the London Brick Brick has at last given the company the desired place in takeover, is less than half its the Stock Exchange's old elite. business once more.

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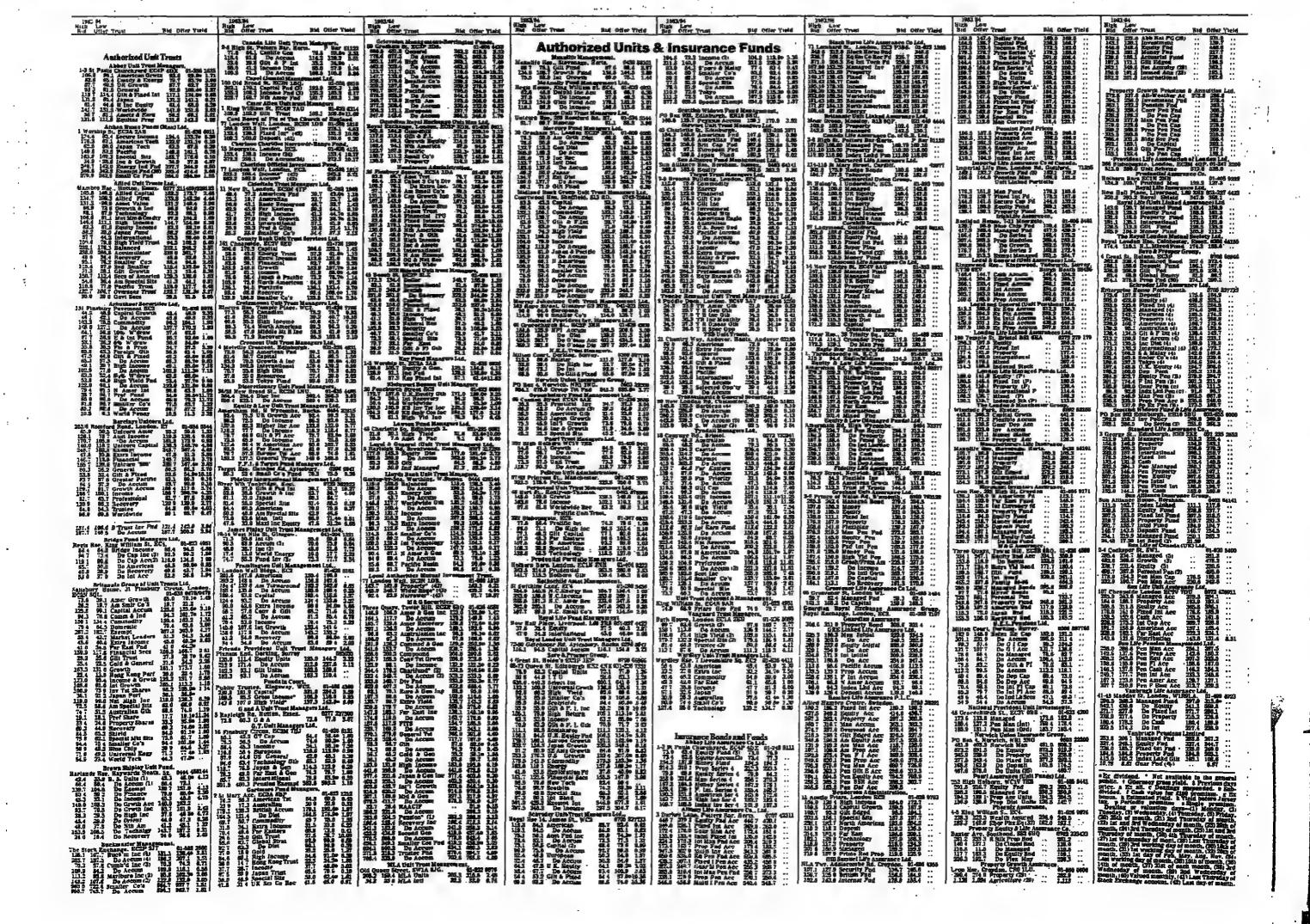
#### AUDITED CONSOLIDATED RESULTS 1983

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Attributable earnings	305.4	267.4
Dividends	151.9	139.6
Net Asset Value	3,283.1	3,210.3

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Earnings per share	1	82c	335c
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The directors are of the opinion that due to substantial growth and development the liquidity of the corporation must be strengthened. Various alternatives to achieve this are currently being examined. An announcement in this regard can

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# Satellite TV: has the BBC lost its way?

discussions will take place between the parties involved in the British direct broadcasting by satellite (DBS) project. But all the partners in the venture - the Government, the BBC

and IBA - have lost their way. First the Government, It has approached satellite television broadcasting from an industrial direction and not a broadcasting one. The original satellite was to have been launched in 1986, be built by a consortium of British Aerospace. Bitish Telecom and GEC-Marconi and carry two DBS channels for the BBC. Last year that project was rejected by the BBC, a decision which shocked and frightened the proponents of the satellite in government. The £350m space venture was to provide a stimulus to the British aerospace and electronics industries.

But since last year government, particularly those on the industrial front, have been in blind panic in an attempt to keep the satellite project alive in the face of increasing criticism that the design of the spacecraft is unnecessarily sophisticated and as a consequence too expensive,

The new round of talks between the three parties is the latest attempt to save the project by forming a joint venture which would include the BBC in partnership with the IBA (the authority is to have the power to grant early next year franchise for two DBS

The Government has only itself to blame in its pursuit of a policy which has not addressed itself to the real questions about satellite broadcasting. Within a decade there will be a plethora of satellites over Europe whether they be high powered,

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allowing pictures to be received through an antenna directly at home, or those with lower power which can beam their pictures to cable television operators on the ground who in turn carry them to their subscribers.

Ireland, France and Luxembourg have all been allocated satellite frequencies. Television programmes beamed from their satellites will be able to be received in Britain. These will be high powered DBS satellites which would compete directly with the British BBC/IBA project. The Government has ignored these

dangers.
It also seems to believe that there is little need to impose broadcasting standards on the owners of satellite channels. That is ludicrous. It cannot have a rigid code of practice for balance of programming on its terrestrial broadcasting and allow satellite changels to be unbridled

Last week Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, addressing delegates to a cable and satellite conference sponsored by *The Financial Times* said; "The object of UK Government policy in this field, as indeed it is in many others, is in the simple phrase the creation of opportunity and the removal of obstacles. To open doors, to encourage those with interest and enterprise to go through them and explore, for their benefit and that of

The policy is indeed simple to the extent of being niave. The Government cannot stand back and not focus on the correct questions. The policy that is required is a broadcasting one. Let's examine why the BBC is going

Alasdair Milne, the Director General of the BBC, addressed the same

claimed that the BBC satellite was necessary as a vehicle for providing more television programming and will be needed as a means of transmission when high resolution television (1125 lines) arrives.

He said: "Eventually, transmission via satellites will become the orthodox method of transmitting broadcasting signals. Quite apart from the question of whether the BBC should offer additional networks or not, it would be a dereliction of broadcasting duty if we did not introduce a technology that bids fair to replace the

means we use now," Neither of these reasons is good enough for the BBC to justify going into DBS now. It should take a different view to satellite than has

#### THE WEEK

#### **Bill Johnstone**

been the case with its terrestrial

The BBC, although it has not fully commercially exploited its programme-making assets to the full, could be a primary source of good programming - drama, light enter-tainment, current affairs and specially made feature films. There will be a dearth of good quality product for satellite and cable channels in the United Kingdom, the rest of Europe and the United States, Even the BBC if it ran its own satellite channel would have to buy much from other sources. So why not reverse the role and become one of the principal

made specifically for cable and

satellite' Alasdair Milne in his speech highlighted the famine of good programming. He said: "During the first six months of last year 196 films were passed by the British Board of Censors for United Kingdom Certifi-

About half of these films were in the English language. Of all the films passed only 28 per cent (that is 55 films) were awarded either a 'U' or a 'PG' certificate. No fewer than 46 per cent were in the 18 or restricted club 18 category. So it can't be said that there is an abundance of first-run feature films to which, even on a liberal interpretation of ethical and moral values, no severe objection could be made."

The BBC doesn't need to run its own channel to be heavily involved in satellite. The owners of DBS channels and others operating satellite services to cable networks will be desperate for good programming. The BBC could sell to them and not be burdened with marketing of its own channel, the borrowings to finance the project (£170m in capital plus an estimated £180m in operational costs over the seven-year life of the satellite) and having to compete with other satellites and cable networks which could have bought its programming.

But what about its plans for replacing the terrestrial network by a satellite one? The BBC does not need to rush, there will be dozens of manufacturers and operators of satellites only too pleased to do business when that day arrives. Also, when the transmissions of the normal BBC television pictures are made by replaced by a spacecraft, the econa satellite project will favourably alter. Thus is the time when the BBC should consider operating its own satellite, not before.

Finally the IBA. The BBC is now considering a partnership with the IBA/Independent Television. Companies. The proposal being considered by the partners is a four channel joint satellite project. One channel would be dedicated to the BBC, one to the IBA, one would be shared while another would act as a backup in the event of failure.

But why have the Independent television companies been involved in the satellite discussions? The IBA will be empowered under the Cable and Broadcasting Act, presently making its way through Parliament, to award commercial franchises for satellite. Those were not intended to be the property of the Independent television companies but were sup-posed to be placed on open tender, Not only have the companies become involved in the satellite discussions but have brazenly asked for an extension to their terrestrial fran-chises as their price for partnership.

It is obvious to the proponents of independent broadcasting that the commercial satellite channels should not be controlled by the existing commercial companies. It is not in the interest of broadcasting to have the commercial terrestrial and satel-lite channels owned by the same groups. Nor is it in the interest of broadcasting to have DBS controlled by the duopoly of the BBC and the existing independent companies. That is the question the IBA must address



Stanley Kanney: 50,000 pictures in one disc

# Pick a picture in an instant

Photography as Art may be an in London by the middle of the unlikely candidate for computer year. ising but The Image Bank, a vorldwide photographic agency

has plans in that direction. With 24 offices it handles an average of six to seven thousand high quality colour transparencies each week, sending many of them from its New York headquarters to its international network of offices where they are in demand by advertising agencies and maga-

For three years secret research has been going on in New York, led by Stanley Kanney, the co-founder of the company, to enable a comprehensive selection of single images to be stored and accessed on video disc. The special software needed has now been fully developed and the scheme is soon to become operational with up to six video disc players due to be installed

Each disc will be capable of

storing up to 50,000, single colour images, and by using the new software a researcher, by answering a series of involved questions based on the familiar branch" formula, will be led to

The benefits of this operation will be enormous both to The Image Bank, who will be able to provide a more comprehensive zines writes Geoffrey Ellis,
At present thousands of proportionate growth of space, and for the client who will be magnifying glass but soon this able to lease a player, plus a selection of discs from the library and browse through them while sitting in his own office, calling up to have the

required picture delivered.

Will the next step be to increase the sophistication of the system to allow the transfer of material from disc to user in one step? With their dedication to the use of new techniques, it cannot be too long before The Image Bank begins exploring

# Why Ben speaks to his computer

By Frank Brown

Ben Smith has been bitten by of my personal calendar; it the computer bug. So much so, stores a year's worth of appointments, and reminds me about talking about it. Ben runs his them just like a good executive own small real-estate business on the outskirts of San Fran-cisco, and knew little about computers until he bought one

just before Christmas to help him and his secretary wife out on the market, we decided to go to a computer exhibition to see what was available. The second to a computer exhibition to see what was available. what was available", he recalls. "and I saw this machine where you simply talked to it, like I'm talking now, and it did what

you wanted it to do instantly. It has a speech command system which will pick out key words or phrases from continu-ous speech, and carries out the commands associated with those words," he said. "You can train it to respond to anything you say, and to do any lask you want when it hears that word or

phrase.

"It's great for dictating letters. I simply say I want to write to Mrs D. Jones," for example, and when it hears writes. it automatically goes into letter writing mode, and when it hears 'Mrs D. Jones,' it instantly displays the letter format with Mrs Jones's address ormat with wis Jones's address at the top, plus the date, our file reference for Mrs Jones, and 'Dear Mrs Jones' underneath.
"I can then either dictate text.

or say words which call up standard paragraphs or com-plete standard letters, and which again appear on screen
instantly - fully personalised
where necessary. Thus some
letters can be produced and
printed literally within seconds.

"It has saved so much time and correspondence and paper-work that my wife Donna now helps me on the selling side of the business," he said. "It has also saved time and

money managing my tele-phone. he added. The speech facility has effectively converted the phone into a sophisticated speakerphone. Making a call is simply a matter of talking to the computer - no lifting the receiver and dialling - the computer does it all. .

"It stores and retrieves my important numbers just like a memory phone, and not only dials calls, but also automatically recalls busy numbers. It will also place calls at specific times throughout the day, and when there is no one in the office, it will answer and record calls just like an answering

machine.
"Not only that, it keeps track

secretary."
The machine that keeps Ben talking is the Texas Instruments Professional personal business computer fitted with the new speech command and telephone

The speech command board is now available in Britain, but the telephone management board is currently undergoing Batb approval, and is unlikely to be on the market here believe the end of this year.

## New speech signal chip

The secret behind these two boards is a new speech signal processing chip developed by TI which incorporates a high-speed 32-bit computer, and speech processing software containing. TI developed algorithms that

speed up speech-encoding and speech-recognition process. The software's speech-encoding efficiency is such that the resultant code is 50 times more methods, and is therefore much faster, the company claims. It also requires considerably less

memory space.

Thus the new chip and the software have considerable application potential. The device has already been taken up by other computer firms who are using it to develop speech processing systems of their own.

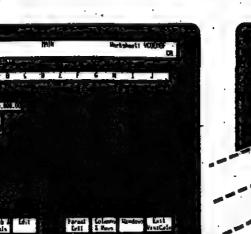
In addition, engineers at the company's regional technology centre in Bedford are working on a variety of applications in conjunction with a number of industrial companies and manufacturers of consumer products.

Using the new chip, the centre has developed a portable speech analysis system which helps accelerate the development of speech-input and speech-output systems. The portable unit also simplifies the analysis and encoding of noise generated by machinery such as engines and machine tools, thereby enabling the development of noise-monitoring systems that provide an early warning of impending mechanıcal failure.

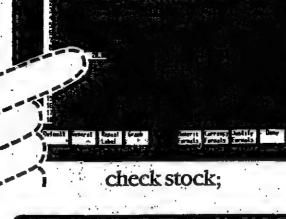
The chip itself costs about £60, but will be cheaper by the lustruments spokes man said.



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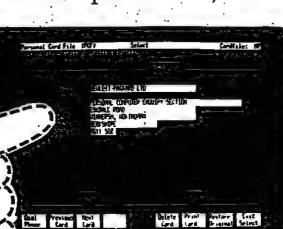


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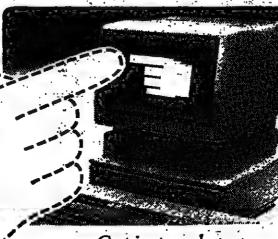


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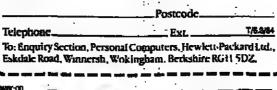
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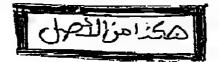
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#### New deal on Cobol opens the market

Burster Gibbe From

By Maggie McLening

Two recent master distributorship agreements for Micro Focus's Level II Cobol programming language are likely to hring=16/32-bit microcomputers in out of the cold. These machines, based on Motorola 68000 processor, have so far failed to make a strong impact on the business market, losing out "to less-powerful Intel 8088/8086-based micros.

One of the main reasons for this has been a lack of commercial - applications, but co-operative development contracts between Micro Focus and offware houses Logica and Root-Computers should correct this by making it easier to transfer Cobol systems on other computers to Unix, the most popular \$3000 operating

Unix, despite being a portable operating system, does not come in a standard version because every purchaser of a licence, from AT&T has 10 adapt the source code to his own requirements, in addition to porting it to different

Although Micro Focus has fried to produce Level II Cobol products for Unix-based systems as quickly as possible. progress has been slow because implementation takes about three months to com-

Since the Level II compiler is certified as being the Ansi 74 standard in use on most mainframes, the 5,500 programs required to test it have to he downloaded on to each target machine, involving the transfer of around 225,000 lines of coding each time.

The agreements with Logica and Root Computers are designed to spread the hurden of implementation and thereby speed up the process, with Micro Focus supplying each company with unlinked modules of compiled code, from which a target system can be generated for

Any licensing delays should also be eliminated, because both Logica and Root are authorised to sign up subsidiary distributors, including hardware manu-facturers. This effectively brings Level II Cobol within the immediate reach of more than 70 manufacturers of Unix-based machines worldwide because the two companies supply the most widely used versions of Unix: Xenix and Uniolus+.

used elsewhere - either moving up from micros or down from large machines - will be a been the same time fund and keep up with the rapid changes both of laceburgue and received between the same time fund and keep up with the rapid changes both of laceburgue and received between the same time fund and seep up with the rapid changes both of laceburgue and received between the same time fund and seep up with the same time fund and seep up with the rapid changes both of laceburgue and large machines - will help sell more Unix machines. Level II will make this happen quicker and open-the market up another crack," said Henry Goldstein, product marketing manager at

Logica is a second-source supplier of Microsoft's Xenix and has ported the product on to IMP. Plessey and Tycom micros, with five more contracts under way, since taking it on a year ago. Root Computers supplies the Uniplus+ version of Unix written by Unisoft in the US, which is running on 60 different types of hardware worldwide: those ported by Root include Bleasdale, Cifer. Plessey and Torch.

'Two out of five micro suppliers could collapse'

# Plenty of shocks on the way but opportunities too

The micro computer business is these multi-layered com-one of the hardest of all to plexities also point in the computer, Boots and W. H. forecast. Rapid growth is going hand in hand with leap-frogging technical innovation, increasing educated by experience, harsh price competition, changing and unsettled distribution methods and upsets like the entry of International Business machines, reckoned to have the resources to produce two million personal computers a year, several times the total world market at the start of the decade.

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Hence the industry is strewn with multi-millionaires like the men of Apple on one side, failures and rescues on the other and, in between, companies like Warner Communications' Alari' subsidiary, registering a \$500m loss but soldiering on in the iope that others will drop out first and the market will sort itself out.

No wonder there is a more leady, but perhaps equally fastburgeoning market for guidance on how to survive and profit from the future, for companies making hardware, software, acting as suppliers or offering

A new report on the development of the micro business in Britain from now until 1988 from Technology Intelligence\* suggests that there will be plenty more shocks but also plenty of opportunities for the canny.

There will have to be a dramatic shakeout among both manufacturers and suppliers. according to Technology Intelligence. They expect two out of every five suppliers to go out of the business in the next five years and the death rate among new companies will be even more drastic than for industry and commerce as a whole. A third of all new companies trading in the micro computer business will not survive two

To some extent this reflects the same factors that determined the evolution of the calculator business, leaving a handful of companies in control of the lion's share of the world market. Whatever manufacturers like Atari may hope, price remains the single most important factor in the choice of machines by existing users. Most distributors expect prices to fall more than 10 per cent

Only world companies can achieve the economies of sale needed to profit in this priceconscious environment and at

But the mini/micro computer packet is of a wholly different order of complexity from pocket calculators. And some of

Monty Finniston as chairman, Future Technology Systems based in Beith, Ayrshire, is out

The new company will design

direction of fewer suppliers.

leap from 8 bit micro-computer echnology straight to a new 32 hit generation, leaving the expected 16 bit intermediate stage stranded.

The pace of technology change is so fast that the life of nost central processor models is short. You will have to be big to sell enough to recoup research and manufacturing costs before obsolescence spoils

Technology Intelligence has identified some 44 models selling at less than £500, another 27 selling between £500 and £1,500 fully 100 in the £1,500 to £3,500 range and a further 30 at the top end of the market. It expects no fewer than seven out of every 10 of all these existing micros to be out of production by 1986.

Graham Searjeant looks at a controversial report on the future of Britain's micro business

in any case, as people become more educated in the use of computers after their early, often frustrating learning curves, they are changing the way they go about computer purchase. Instead of starting off with a suitably-sized central processor, then tacking on the pieces and building up software to fit, they are beginning to reverse this order of priorities.

Existing users now tend to start with their software needs, find out what is available, what is compatible with what and then but the computer that fits. After price, the availability of computer software and companibility are the most important lests applied when buying a micro-computer, whether for home, personal or business use.

Users expect to see the most rapid changes in software over the next five years and are particularly keen to improve the storage of data. Again this points to a

shakeout among manufacturers.
and thooels as processing units follow chips and calculators in The Micro Business: an the direction of becoming more homogeneous, almost commodily Hems.

Perhaps the most perplexing issue in the whole market is exactly how micro-computers will be sold. Sinclair has pionecred mail order for its

aging director, says there are opportunities around the world

for his company. With an order

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looking forward to a successfu

The trouble shooters

A new computer trouble shooter company was launched last week to exploit and plug the gap-in the UK industry. With Sir

David Shear, Future's man-

to provide a "missing" service in the multi-million pound computer sales boom, writes Alan com, Perranti and the Depart-

Smith alone have claimed 25 For instance, the report per cent of the UK home micro suggests that following the market by selling in the High launch of the Sinclair QL Street. But how far will this computer, and the hefty invest- extend to the more sophistiment by users in more sophisti- cated business micro, which is cated software, there could be a predominantly sold direct by salesmen or through the dealer's salesmen?

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Does the Sinclair QL point the way to a more basic kind of selling for business computers?

Tandy has developed a worldwide chain of 5,600 stores selling their micro-computers. but the Xerox shop has met resistance, perhaps partly due to confusion with the company's copier business. It remains unclear whether the professional or consumer type of selling wil advance but, whichever, advertising and pro-motion is certain to grow, both for soft and hardware. Oric, recently taken over by Edenspring, planned to spend £1m promoting its home computer.

Whatever the pattern of development, Technology Intelligence has no doubt that growth will continue to be extremely rapid in virtually all aspects of the micro-computer business, Homes in Britain are already more firmly hooked on computers than in any other country and people will spend money developing their sys-

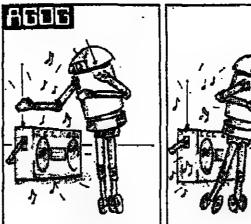
According to research, only one in six major UK companies have any form of complete electronic office system, but 72 per cent plan to install one within five years.

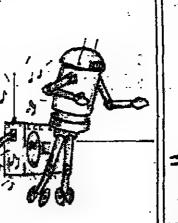
The report predicts unit sales of micros will multiply around six times over 1983 levels by 1988, though sales may grow at a slightly more modest pace in the crowded £1,500 to £3,500 range and fastest at the top end of the market.

Even with a high casualty rate, there will be plenty of scope for new business. The report suggests that Sinclair's modest after-sales service may leave a slot for a "business Sinclair user clinlo" and if the Sinclair approach spreads, so their could be niches for the smaller firm. There should also be plenty of scope in specialist micro applications from airline flightplans to art galleries, recruitment 10 restaurants and schools to shoe shops.

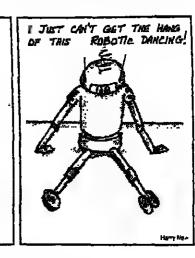
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# A revolution in education?

Relevance in education, useable skills, objective skills assosment, these are the bits of Sir Keith Joseph's programme for reform of the schools education system which at first sight seem obviously attractive, and which have attracted the plaudits, at least outside the teaching

And so are the parts of the programme to ensure that those supposedly teaching the chil-dren are capable of reforming it even if most are usually too tactful to say that many of the deficiencies within the educational system arise not from the practices of civil servants and the limitations imposed by politicians, but from the atti-tude of mind displayed within the educational profession and its unions.

But has Sir Keith not simply

done his sums right, but done the right sums? That is much more open to argument. For what after all is the purpose of education? For the great majority, the aim of the exercise seems to be to create a background of skill more attuned to the reality of life outside the confines of the school system. This presumes two things one that we knowhow this is likely to develop and two that teachers themselves have sufficient experience of life outside the school system.

One has to ask whether allowing a situation to exist in which a child goes to school, then to university, then to teacher's training college and back to school until retirement the career pattern of a substantial number of teachers - should be allowed to mould those being educated for life in all but the most stable and unchanging of societies. You may well ask what my

diving into the educational debate has to do with the impact of computing on society? On examination, one turns out to be deeply immersed in and interwoven with the other. Six Keith's talk of relevant education is not new, he has not made a new discovery. Relevant education personal and small business was why we had a mass compilier market 1984-88. To

it was a product of the industrial revolution to produce people with enough simple skills to operate the new economy. And it worked for constantly putting up the one reason. The young might complexity threshold in the not have liked it, but parents understood that it did roughly what it set out to do: to give basic broad skills on which specialisation could then be built, even if that was done within the economy by the

process of watching Nelly. Much of that methodology, if one can call it that, is rapidly disappearing, and in large part because Nelly is like the National Union of Teachers, The pace of technology change is rapid, Nelly cannot keep up, does not know, and so cannot

Rex Malik continues his study of changes in a computer society

The skills that Nelly had as little as ten to twenty years ago. lasted her working life, and could be honed and built on. Today, these are likely to be transformed at least once within that working lifetime, if they have not been so already, and perhaps even more. I write at least once because

the process of digitisation of whatever it may be leads to a change in approach: In thinking it is a one time major-step and quite radical though it does not follow that it is the only change that can be foreseen. For instance. The techniques invented by Douglas Engelbart at SRI in California in the 1960s. the ability to shuffle disparate data on one screen (so well brought out in some of the Xerox work and in such systems as Apple's Macintosh) are not just replications of shuffling papers around on a desk: the people processes involved seem to call on psychological traits which an education system devised to handle sorialism often seems to try its hardest to overcome and - put down.

Yet those basic techniques may well be critical in the ability of the race to handle y. I am groding for if this thought has been previously expressed anywhere, I have been unable to find it in the literature.

The point is this: we are

economy, the need for people to be able to handle quite complicated ideas that are themselves amalgams of knowlege coming from many disciplines and skills. This is not simply what management is about, it is what service/product development and production are increasingly about in a machine-based economy. These run counter to skill learning routines of the past with their heavy emphasis on ABC, 124 and learning by

One is adding rather than taking away: some learning by rote will still be essential. The interature does indicate there is an irreducible minimum to achieve fixity, knocking it into heads so that it stays there and becomes automatic (though all the authorities of course differ on what that irreducible minimum is).

De Bono, Busan and the rest of the "thinking should be taught" advocates are right to preach that we should make better use of the raw mechanics we carry on our shoulders. The absence of that as a subject for everybody is indeed quite striking. After all, almost any good driving school will as a matter of course teach the basics of car engineering.

Of course, we teach thinking aiready, but historically we do it via subject matter, we teach more of it the farther up the educational ladder you climb. It is after all, what the Oxbridge tutorial system is about.

Is there a part that computering can play in all this? Kenneth Baker, Minister of State for Information Technology, is fond of pointing out the great successes that the ITEC's have been with those who have failed, or have been failed by the education system how they teach skills in short supply, and what is more teach skills that the education system world have you believe you need to have a successful school career to be able to go on and obtain.

You to get, into these very same ITEC's need the absence of a successful school career. Mr Baker whatever he may think privately, avoids saying in public that the ITEC's are a fundamental criticism of the education system.

Meanwhile. Sir Keith and Kenneth Baker are swamping schools with computers. They have done the right thing, even if not necessarily for all the right reasons. The education establishment initially saw computing as being about mathematics. It is that only in part, and arguably a minor part

What computing is about in education is to put teachers where they should long have been - on the firing line, It is going to take away much of the information transfer function, and make them concentrate more on those fuzzy human attributes and rites of passage. the socializing of the little brutes, their policing, and their succour and support as they go through society's initiation

Of course many teachers, and the hierarchy that supports them, are not going to like this at all. The counter attack was well caught recently by Michael Crichton in Electronic Life. "One of the delights of any

new technology is that it is for a while free, Government hasn't figured out how to regulate it businessmen haven't figured out how to teach it into tedium .... Personal computers are only about six years old and already the rule makers and dogmatists are out in force. They are shocked by these goings on. Look, do you mean to say that a person can buy H machine, take it home, teach himself programming, and then use the computer however he pleases? Without first of all being told the proper way" Without paying attention to the rules? Everybody doing what he wants? That's anarchy it can't be allowed to continue!

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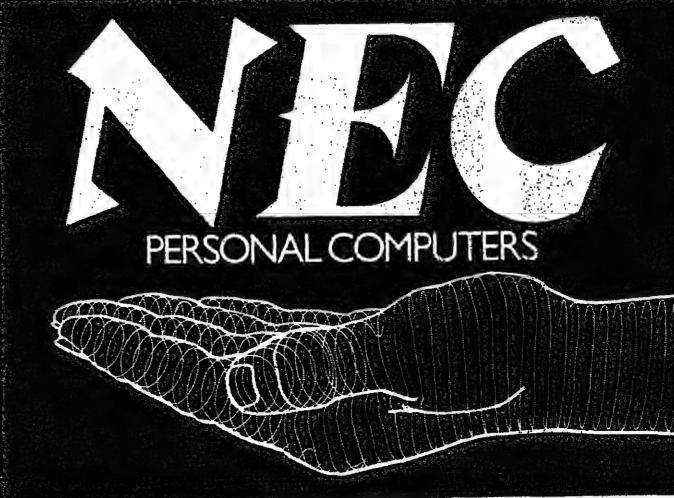
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dalsywheel printer, a basic system would come out at about £1900.

The price reductions have become possible through the increasing volume of sales we have achieved," says lan Skinner, CAL chairman. Another factor has been the operating economies which have been obtained since CAL was incorporated last December into the CPU Computer group. The company now works closely with LSI Computers, which introduced its Octopus personal computer last

More than 2000 CAL-PCs have been sold, with some major name: mong the buyers, including the fanpower Services Commission, the City of Birmingham (the UK's second largest local authority), Glynwed and British Aerospace.

The CAL-PC has both 8-bit and

18-bit processors. There are versions with 5 Mbyte and 10 Mbyte storage, and built-in Winchester disks up to 20 Mbyte are optional. There are also multi-user versions, and the machine has a fast networking facility.

As an aid to increased productivity and profits, management consultants Deloitte Haskins Sells have just released a new system. CostPlan. Running on a standard IBM PC, it was originally developed for an industrial client in the textile industry. CostPlan

malerials, labour costs and energy requirements are imputted and then project how changes in any of these fields can effect costs and

The first permanent computer application showroom dedicated to a single industry opens in London temorrow. Almed at the construction industry, Britain's largest single industrial market, the new Building Computer Centre, is sitted in the Building Cantre, off Tottenham Court Road, London.

it will provide a showcase for the best in hardware, peripherals and software applications, with demonstrations running on many popular business machines.

About 200,000 people visit the building Centre each year as an information centre, and this new venture will provide a welcome addition to the amount of information available to the trade.

#### COMPUTER BRIEFING

An invasion of top quality American software will be launched on the UK Market next month when on the UK Market hext month when a new label, US Gold, makes its debut. Centre Soft one of this country's leading distributors, through a complex series of licensing deals have reached agreement with some of the top US producers, allowing them to sell the games, mainly for the Commodors 64, at under £10, almost one third of the price now being charged for imports. Beach Head, a game utilising the full potential of the 64, one of the hits at the recent LET trade show, is amongst the first to

organized by Digital Research, takes place in London this

developments in this field, and look at networking, windowing, Concur-rent CP/M and Issues of compati-

Development of electronics will be a priority for China over the next 20 years, according to the minister responsible for that industry.

Jiang Zemin told the English-Language newspaper China Daily that both Shanghal in the Yangtse delta and the southern province of Guangdong had decided to make electronics a focal point of their economies. The minister added that value of alexandrate that value of electronics production in China rose by 27 per cent last

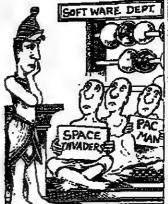
A low-cost communications package which can turn a personal computer into an Intelligent workstation is now being marketed by CompuShack Ltd. The London-based firm has reached an activities of the computation of the comput agreement with Sobreck Corporation of New Orleans to handle the package, which is for use on the IBM PC and IBM-compatible personal computers.

Computers.

CompuShack has adopted the package primarily for the Tava PC, for which the company is exclusive distributor in Europe. Known as "TCP" – Tava Communications Package – the new product will give PCs access to such communications applications as electronic mall, telex, on-line data base, micro-to-host and micro-to-micro transfers.

The cost is far lower than most The cost is lar lower than most other systems on the market. For £2,595 the buyer can have the TCP package with a DaCorn Buzzbox modern, a 128K Tava PC, two floppy disk drives, a monitor, printer, and CP/M 86 operating system. TCP on its own, with the mostem costs £209. modem, costs £209.

The first silicon chip with rectifier diodes produced entirely on the basis of Brazilian technology has just been put on the market, it has been designed for



in a second stage of the operation, the manufacturer, Aegis Tecnologia em Dispositovos Semiconductores of Sao Paulo will produce high-frequency diodes and a multiple-usage chip for the current inflow of keyed computer

The major technical difficulty, the control of the ideal thermal point of has been overcome. This is now has been overcome. This is now done at temperatures of up to 1,400°C but previously had only been achieved in Brazil in specialized laboratories.

What was lacking was the technology needed to do this on a commercial scale. Previously, the only company to do this was Semikron Sudamericana Comercio seminron subalitation contents
a industria de Semiconductores
which used technology imported
from its German parent. Asgls says
it has invested almost £1m to start
production of the new chip

Contributors: Geoffrey Ellis, Roger Woolnough and Mark Stone,

#### **UK events**

OEM Only Conference, Hilton Hotel, London W1, March 7 Computer Trade Wembley Conference Middlesex, March 13-15 Scottish Computer Show and Conference, Holiday Inn. Glasgow, March 13-15

Microcomputer Applications Workshop, Computer Labora-tory, Liverpool University, March 26,27 Microcomputer Workshop, Computer Labora-tory, March 27, 28

Electron & BBC Micro User Show, New Horticultural Hall Westminster, London, March 29-April 3-5

Artificial Intelligence Seminar, City University, London, April Sir Fredrick Osborn School Computer Fair, Sir Frederick Osborn School, Welwyn Garden City, April 8

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Computers in Instrumentation Exhibition, Earls Court, April

#### Overseas

Personal Computer Show, Sydney, Australia, March 14-17 International Business Equipment & Computer Singapore, March 13-17 Videotex '84. Hyatt Regency, Chicago, April 16-18

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# Watch out for the friendly icon

If I were asked for one word to engrave upon the mind of the bome computer user during 1984, it would be this; from Look it up in Collins and, in the third sentence, you will read "a symbol resembling or analogous to the thing it represents," and I can think of no better expla-

The icon is on one level, a the fledgling computer user, and, on another, an interesting parable about the direction the chip business may take in the future. If you want to see it in action, simply search out the nearest Lisa. Apple's expensive wonder machine, and you will

tool of incomparable ease for know what I mean. The icon is meant to be the ultimate step in what the computer manufacturers term "user friendliness" a cuphemism which may be accurately translated as the ability to be used by people who haven't the faintest clue of what a computer is about.

In the beginning, to print an item written on a screen one had to add a set of instructions. Later, one pressed a button marked "print." With an icon. one simply selects the option which bears a visul representation of a printer. Put flatly, like that, it may sound a little

academic, but in reality the difference is startling. Working on a screen may mimic working on a piece of paper, but in fact the process is quite different. A computer system which can present all those difficult options available to the user in a visual form as instant as the system itself can only bring in countless new recruits to the computing

cabinet, a printer, or an index - number of files. which short circuit the thought

a filing cabinet. By relating the machine capable electronic machine is virtually heftier prices than Sinclair's. eliminated.

The joys of icons are known of only to those who have used uscless to the average user

relevant programmes.
For example, the Commo-

This brings me to the most important point about icon. which, I have to say, is not the case of use which they undoubtedly bring to computer users.

No. icons are important, not in themselves, but because they represent an investment on the part of computer manufacturers in comprehension at the expense of plain storage power. They are, if you like, one of the first steps down the road towards selling computers to people who do not give a damn how the system works so long as

This year will see the memories of home computers shoot way beyond the 64k mark, and there is a rather world. guilible gut feeling in some
So what happens with an icon
system? Well, instead of asking It isn't as Atari's superior filing the conventional questions, software proves. The shrewdly such as do you want to pull out written software of a 16K an item on disk, look at the machine may be infinitely directory, print, or save some- superior to a clumsily produced thing you have written, you are 64K equivalent even if the latter faced with a series of familiar has the ability, once propictures - a typewriter, a filing grammed, to handle a greater

When one looks, for instance, To save a file, or read one for the new Sinclair QL, one can which already exists, one only ask: why? And the answer chooses the option marked with must be, not simply to make the computer's operations to more information. There are images for everyday objects, the plenty of machines capable of strangeness of working on an that already around, albeit at

In reality, a colossal amount extra memory is pretty them, and, oddly enough, they unless it makes the task in hand bear little relation to the power easier. And that is why I believe of the machine running the we have only seen the begin-relevant programmes. we have only seen the begin-nings of the icon.

Make no mistake: for the dore 64 is noticably short of a average computer manufacfiling program in the lower end turer, that requires a sea change of the software market which in his business philosophy if he uses anything but a bare screen is to sell to the new generation for its format. Atari, on the of computer users. The day of other hand, has a very neat machines which respond to filing program which mimics commands in plain English and the appearance of the filing require little or nothing in the cabinet, and that manages to way of specialist knowledge run on a 16K machine, which, may not be at hand yet, but the on paper at least carries a arrival of the icon is, at the very quarter of the memory of the least, a good few steps in that commodore.

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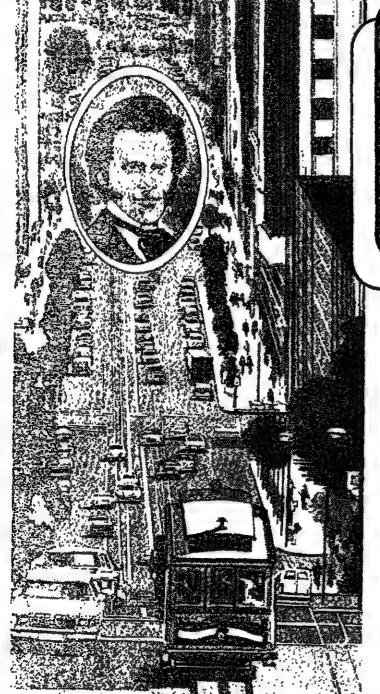
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# Ending a clerical chore

use as a hobby, John Angel had no idea it would launch him

into a new business. A solicitor who specializes in industrial relations, Angel was well aware that personnel departments needed help, and had thought that computers might provide it. But the power of the micro was a revelation.

Generally personnel departments have a low priority in organizations, he explains. saw that the micro could provide a computerized personnel system which the department could afford."

This was early in 1982, and Angel realised that an opportunity to start computerizing the personnel function was fast approaching. In April 1983 new legislation was to come in on statutory sick pay, and com-panies would be looking for cals, Electrolux, Merrill Lynch, ways to administer it.

With no time to waste he contacted a friend, Richard start. With backing from the Coon, a chartered accountant British Technology Group, who had been UK financial controller of Rank Xerox. The with a modular system for timing was right: as part of a personnel management. This cost-cutting exercise. Rank will build on personnel records nanagers to set up their own

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demonstration.

Coon joined forces with Angel and also involved Geoff ancashire, who had been uformation services manager at Rank Xerox, In June 1982 the three men formed Percom Ltd. to develop and market personnel management systems for microcomputers.

"I bad no computer knowledge other than playing around with the BBC micro", Angel admits. He specified the prod-uct, and Lancashire organized the programming. Percom was able to demonstrate its statutory sick pay and absence control system in November 1982 - the first company to do so, Angel

Since then it has made its mark. Blue-chip names using and Saatchi & Saatchi.

To John Angel, this is just the Percom is broadening its range encouraging to computerize such areas as

When he invested in one of the businesses in return for consul- manpower planning, occumodelling.

"The personnel function is inefficient because it is a clerical-intensive activity" Angel says. "Personnel departments spend all their time trying to keep up with legis-lation. The only other thing they have time for is 'firefight-

But by providing computer programs to do much of the manual work, personnel staff will be able to tackle the real problems. "For the first time", Angel believes, "personnel managers can see themselves managing their functions, because they will have all the data on hand.

As a specialist in industrial relations law who has acted for both sides, John Angel believes the computer can have farreaching effects. The better informed the personnel depart-ment is, the better it will be for industrial relations.

"I don't think Percom alone will do that", he said, "but we. within the budget of a personnel department. There is no excuse. not to computerize.

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# THE TIMES NATIONAL

There has been a heavy response to our National Microcomputer Challenge competition, and as the regional judges winners, some interesting points

Applications ranged from the totally predictable, through to entirely new concepts of using the micro. They touched on subjects as diverse as medicine, social and welfare, commerce, education, transport, domestic and leisure.

There appeared to be a comprehensive spread of ages, with 10-year-olds josting for consideration alongside those of 70-plus. At this stage a high proportion of entrants appear to

The regional judges start work this week and hope to complete in time to allow us to announce the 10 winners in the first section in *The Times* of Tuesday, March 20.

The British Computer Society

have announced their region representatives on the judging panel, they are: Representative: Mr G. McDermid, Mr J. K. Nix, Mr S Burness, Dr Yannakondakis, Mr K. J. Bowcock, Mr E. Stnart, Dr P. J.

Marcer, Mr P. H. Mabey, Dr L. R. Neal, Mr T. Vickers. Region: Scotland, Northern Ireland and North West, North East, Yorks and Humberside, Midlands, Wales, South West, Home Counties North, Home

#### London fair

Early plans announced by the London Festival of Computing organizers show that a wide range of interests are to be catered for this year in the estival sponsored by Prism Technology.

The aim of the festival is to promote awareness amongst Londoners in the use of computers in the community.

The Computer Fair, at Central Hall, Westminster, will be the highlight of the festival, and the winner of The Times are providing a system which is Computer Challenge will be within the budget of a personnel announced to coincide with the festival which runs from April 4.

# Consent crucial issue in sentence

Regina v Courtie Before Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Scarman, Lord Roskill and Lord Bridge of Harwich

THE TIMES TUESDAY MARCH 6-1984.

[Speeches delivered March 1] Section 12(1) of the Sexual Offences Act 1956, by reason of the provisions of sections 1 and 3 of the Sexual Offences Act 1967 contained more than one offence of buggery.
Consequently the Flores of Lords
unanimously allowed the appeal
against sentence of a man imprisoned on the basis of an offence carrying a maximum term of 10 years who should have been ntenced on the basis of an offence with a five-year maximum sentence.

The appeal was brought by Thomas Courtie, aged 38, against the dismissal by the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Walkins, Mrs Justice Heibron and Sir John Thompson) of his appeal from a three-year sentence passed at York Crown Court (Judge Bennett, QC) on his plea of guilty to a count which charged that he committed buggery

charged that he committed buggery with a male person aged 19.

The trial judge, who had refused an application by the prosecution after plea to add a count charging absence of consent by the other man, decided that he and the two justices sitting with him would determine, as they did, whether or not the offence was committed with consent, and then passed sentence on the basis of absence of consent.

Section 12(1) of the 1956 Act provides: "It is felouy for a person to commit buggery with another person or with an animal". Section 1(6) of the 1967 Act provides: "... when in any proceedings it is charged that a homosexual act is an offence the procedurer shall have the burden of proving that the act was done otherwise than-

with the consent of the parties..."
Section 3(1), which amends the 1956 Act provisions as to punishment, provides: "The maximum punishment... for buggery with another man over the age of 16 shall... be (a) imprisonment for ... 10 years except where the other man consented thereto and (b) for ... five years if the accused is... over the age of 21 and the other man is under that age, but otherwise two years ...."

Mr Barry Mortimer, QC and Mr D P Hunz for the appellant, Mr

LORD DIPLOCK, with whose

speech Lord Fraser, Lord Scarman, Lord Roskill and Lord Bridge agreed, said that the appeal raised two questions involving basic principles of English criminal law. To the substantive principle was applied the metaphor in Woolnaington v Director of Public Prosecutions (1935) AC 462) "the one golden thread that is always to be seen throughout the web of English extensial law", that an accused person could not be convicted of an offence with which he was charged

offence with which he was charged unless it had been established by the or absence of particular factual prosecution that each one of the factual ingredients, which were included in the legal definition of that specific offence, was present in the case that had been brought against him by the prosecution.

In the absence of an informed and ince of an informed and unequivocal plea of guilty, the prosecution, if it was to obtain a

conviction for the specific offence charged, had to prove to the satisfaction (beyond reasonable doubt) of the person or persons in whom was vested the function of trying facts, that each and every factual ingredient of that offence existed in the case of the accused. The factual ingredients of every of mind at the time of that conduct
- expressions used in preference to

Miller ([1983] 2 AC 161, 174). If there had not been an informed and unequivocal plea of guilty, the question whether any particular factual ingredient of the specific offence charged (or of any lesser offence of which he might be convicted on that indictment) was convicted on that indictment) was present in the case against an accused person, fell to be determined by those persons, and by those persons alone, in whom, under English criminal procedure, there was vested the function of finding whether or not the factual ingredients necessary to constitute the offence had been proved to their satisfaction – in the instant case the jury.

was a question of law for the judge to the exclusion of the jury. The statement of offence in the

case referred only to section 12 (1) of the 1956 Act and the particulars of offence stand the departiculars

with a named man, a male person under the age of 21 years, namely, the age of 19 years. To that offence he had pleaded guilty.

The effect of section 1 (1), (2), (6), (7) and section 3 (1), (3), (4) of the 1967 Act on section 12(1) of the 1956 Act was that the 1967 Act consider a number of searcife. created a number of specific offences for which the maximum punishment prescribed varied on a descending scale from imprisonment for life, through imprisonment for 10 years, imprisonment for five years down to imprisonment for two years according to the existence

Thus, buggery with a boy under the age of 16 was a life offence, whether committed in private or public and with or without the boy's consent. Buggery with a man 16 years or over without his consent was a 10-year offence whether committed in private or in public; but it became a five-year offence if other party was 16 to 20 years old and consented to the act.

If the accused himself was not yet an adult the offence with a consenting 16-to-20 year old was reduced to a two-year offence. Buggery committed otherwise than in private between adults both of whom consented to it was a two was two was a fine of the consented to it was a two was a fine of the consented to it was a two year offence on the part of each of

where a statute provided that an accused person's liability to have inflicted on him a maximum punishment which, if the prosecution succeeded in establishing the existence in the case of a particular factual ingredient, was greater than the maximum punishment that could be inflicted on him ment that could be inflicted on him if the existence of that particular factual ingredient was not established. Parliament had thereby created two distinct offences, whether the statute by which they were created did so by using language which treated them as being different species of a single being dinerent species of a single genus of offence, or by using language which treated them as separate offences unrelated to one another.

The draftsmen of sections 1 and 3 of the 1967 Act had adopted the

in the particulars of offence in the instant case there was no allegation that the other man did not consent;

offence that the appellant was charged with having committed were the ingredients necessary for a five-year offence.

There was no mention of the additional factual ingredient, absence of consent by the other man, which it would have been necessary

offence into the 10-year offence It followed that the only offence that the prosecution established by the appellant's piez of guilty was that he committed a five-year on him by the judge was three years and thus within the five-year maximum, the appeal would never have come to the House had it not heen for the way in which the case

two justices) the function of deciding that there existed in the case against the appellant necessary factual ingredient of O-year offence for which he had been sentenced, although he had never admitted the existence of that factual ingredient by his plea of guilty on arraignment to a lesser five-year offence which did not require the existence of that factual ingredient, the judge was acting contrary to the basic principle of jury alone were the facts.

The certified question was whether section 12(1) of the 1956 Act, by reason of the provisions of section 3(1) of the 1967 Act, contained more than one offe To that question his Lordship would give the answer "Yes", although he would substitute for the reference to section 3(1), a reference

to sections 1 and 3.

It followed that, having been sentenced on the basis that he had committed a 10-year offence, whereas he should have been sentenced for a five-year offence only, the appeal against sentence had to be allowed. A sentence would he substituted that would result in his period of parole, on which he had been released, being terminated forthwith together with any liability to be recalled to imprisonment.

Solicitors Lee, Bohon & Lee, for Max Gold & Co, Hull; Sharpe, Pritchard & Co for Mr Leslie M.

# Enforcing foreign arbitration award

Minister of Public Works of the Government of the State of Kuwait v Sir Frederick Snow & Pariners -

Before Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook and Lord Templeman

[Speeches delivered March 1]

A foreign arbitral award qualified as a "convention award" for the purposes of the Arbitration Act 1975 if the state in which it was made had become a party to the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards by the date on which proceedings to enforce the award were begun, even though it was not such a party at the date when the award was made.
The House of Lords so held,

dismissing an appeal by the defendants, Sir Frederick Snow & Partners from a judgment dated March 17, 1983 of the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Fox and Lord Justice Kerr) (The Times March 18, 1983; [1983] 1 WLR 818), allowing an (1983) I WLR 818), allowing an appeal by the plaintiff, the Minister of Public Works of the Government the State of Kuwait from a

decision of Mr Justice Mocatia ([1981] I Lloyd's Rep 656) given on February 19, 1981. Section 7 of the Arbitration Act 1975 provides: "(1) In this Act... convention award means Act... convention award means an award made in pursuance of an arbitration agreement in the territory of a state, other than the United Kingdom, which is a party to the New York Convention; ..."
Mr Desmond Wright, QC and Mr Nicholas Dennys for the defendants; Mr Bernard Rix, QC and Mr John Tracy Kelly for the plaintiffs.

LORD BRANDON said that the award in regard to which the appeal arose was made by a Kuwaiti arbitrator in Kuwait on September 15, 1973 in respect of disputes arising out of a contract made in 1958 and relating to the construction of an international airport in Kuwait.

The parties to the contract were the Government of Kuwait and a British firm of civil engineering

payment by the defendants to the plaintiff of a sum which, with interest up to 1979 only, amounted

to well over £3.5m.

Proceedings to enforce the award in England were begun on March 23, 1979, and it was in those proceedings that the point of construction arose.

The 1975 Act was pessed to give effect to the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards. That convention came into being on June 10, 1958. On December 23, 1975 the United Kingdom became a party to that convention, and the 1975 Act was brought juto force. On July 2 702370 Revealt became

a party to the convention, and on April 12, 1979 an Order in Council declaring that Kuwait, together with a large number of other states, was a party to the convention, came into

Therefore, when the award was made in 1973 Kuwait had not yet become a party to the convention, but by March 1979, when the proceedings to enforce the award were begun, Kurwait had done so. The case for the defendants was

only qualify as a convention award for the purposes of the 1975 Act if the state in which it was made was already a party to the convention at the date of the award.

Accordingly, the award was not a convention award and could not be enforced by the plaintiff against the defendants under the Act.

The case for the plaintiff was that was sufficient if the state in which is was made had become a party to the convention by the date when proceedings to enforce the award were begun. Accordingly, the award was a convention award for the purposes of the 1975 Act and was enforceable under it.

Which of those cases should prevail depended upon the true construction of the relevant provisions of the Act

The dispute was concentrated on the definition of the expression "convention award" contained in section 7(1) of the Act. Since the award plainly came within the first

was narrowed down further to the meaning to be given to the last part of the definition, namely, "which is a party to the New York Convention".

For the defendants it was michaed that that phrase, although it used the present tense in the word "is", related back to the time when the award was made. The plaintiff contended that the word " plainly referred to the time of

When the definition of "convention award" in section 7(1) was transposed bodily into sections 2 and 3 of the 1975 Act. It appeared that the use of the present tense in the word "is" must as a matter of the ordinary and ustural interpre-ation of the words used mean that the phrase related to the time of enforcement and not to any other

in particular, if it had been the intention of the legislature that the phrase should relate to the date of the award, then the draftsman would surely have used words which made that intention clear.

The defendants' main argument sesing that construction was that the courts had always refused to the courts had always refused to give statutes retrospective effect unless they contained clear words which showed that such effect was intended; that if the phrase in dispute were to be interpreted as relating to the time of enforcement of an award rather than the time of its making the result would be to give the Act retrospective effect; and that there were in this case no plain words in the Act showing that such

that there were in this case no plain words in the Act showing that such effect, was intended.

It was contended that an award made in a foreign state which was not a party to the convention at the time of its making would not be enforceable in the United Kingdom under the Act unless and until that foreign state subsequently became a party to the convention. Upon that happening however, an award happening however, an award which could not previously have been so enforceable would, immediately and ipso facto become

First, the presumption against interpreting a statute as saving retrospective effect was based on the assumption that the result of giving retrospective effect would be to deprive persons of accrued rights and defences.

The result of an award being unenforceable as a convention award under the Act was simply that award under the Act was simply that a person wishing to enforce such an award in the United Kingdom would be obliged to bring an action upon it at common law, the right to

do that being expressly preserved by section 6 of the 1975 Act. It could not therefore be said that his Lordship's construction of the Adt would result in making an award which could not previously ward which could not previously have been enforced at all against a person, newly enforceable against him under the Art. The only result was that the award became enforceable by a second and alternative form of procedure.

Section 5(2) and (3) of the Art.

Section 5(2) and (3) of the Art afforded a wide range of defences to a person egainst whom an award was sought to be enforced under the was sought to be enforced under under and Act and those covered the whole field of defences which would be available in a common law action. It could not therefore be said that the effect of his Lordship's construction of the Act took away any accrued rights or defences, and was therefore free from the objection which would

exist if it did so.
Second, in the phrase which is party to the . . . convention" the legislature had shown in clear terms its intention to give the Act

retrospective effect.
In his Lordship's view there was no ambiguity in section 7(1) of the Act, but if that was wrong and there Act, but if that was wrong and there was ambiguity, it was possible to resolve it by considering Article VII paragraph 2 of the convention which reinforced the view that the construction of the expression "convention award" contended for by the defendants was wrong and that contended for by the plaintiffs

Lord Fraser, Lord Bridge and Lord Templeman agreed. Solicitors: Blakency's; Charles

# Smuggler of drugs thought it was money

[Speeches delivered March 1] [Speeches delivered March 1]

Where the defendant had mistakenly believed that he was bringing currency into the country and that such importation was prohibited, but had in fact been bringing in cannable result the importation of which was prohibited, he was not guilty of an offence under section 170 (2) of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979, of being "knowingly concerned in any fraudulent evasion...(b) of any prohibition....in force with respect to the ... in force with respect to the

goods...

The House of Lords dismissed an appeal by the Crown from the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) (Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice McCowan and Mr Justice Nolan) (The Times April 16, 1983; [1983] 1 WIR 627) who had allowed an appeal by the defendant, Paul Desmond Patrick Tasffe, from his conviction in the Gravesend Crown Court on November 11, 1982.

Court on November 11, 1982.
On February 12, 1982, the defendant drove a car into the green lane of the Shoerness ferry terminal and said that he had nothing to decisin. The Car was received, and declare. The car was searched, and in the spane tyre were found five packages containing cannabis resin. The defendant was then searched, and a further three packages were found strapped to his back and under his clothing.

He was cautioned by the customs officer and asked if he knew what the substances in the packages were. He replied: "No, I am waiting to find out, because if it is drugs..." are. The car was searched,

you think was in the package? and he replied. "Money."

On his arraignment at the crown court, he pleaded not guilty. The packager liesed argument on the question whether on agreed facts a defender was afficied.

Regins v Tastfe

Those facts were: (a) the The Lord Chief Justice had hibited goods were controlled drugs concluded: "He is to be judged and other prohibited imports, for third party in Holland to import a spainst the facts that he believed brightman England in fraudulent evasion of the prohibition on its currency and not cannabis, no before the 1971 Act had been substance into England in fraudu-lent evasion of the prohibition on its importation and had so imported it; (b) the substance had in fact been cannabis; (c) the defendant had mistakenly believed it to be currency; (d) currency had not been the subject of any prohibition; (e) the defendant had mistakenly believed that it was.

The recorder ruled that, on those facts, the jury would have to be directed to convict. The defendant then changed his plea to "guilty"

directed to convict. The defendant then changed his plea to "guilty" and was sentenced.

The question certified by the Court of Appeal was whether a defendant committed the offence under section 170 (2) where he (a) imported prohibited drugs into the United Kingdom, (b) intended fraudulently to evade a prohibition on importation, but (c) mistakenly believed the goods to be money and not drugs and (d) mistakenly believed that money was the subject of a prohibition.

Mr Anthony Arlidge, QC, and Mr Christopher Aylwin for the Crown; Lord Rawlinson of Ewell, QC, and Mr Roy Delville Roebuck for the

LORD SCARMAN said that the Lord Chief Justice had construed section 170 (2) as creating an offence not of absolute liability but as one of which an essential ingredient was a guilty mind.

To be "knowingly concerned" meant, in his judgment, knowledge not only of the existence of a smuggling operation but also that the substance being smuggled into the country was one the importation of which was prohibited by sorbie.

The respondent had thought that the was concerned in a sanugating continuous to the principle councillated in Courtle, it would operation but had believed that the seem likely that those two sections substance was currency was not of the 1979 Act) had substituted subject to any prohibition.

currency and not cannabis, no offence would have been committed. Does it make any difference that the [respondent] thought wrongly that by clandestinely importing currency he was committing an offence.

ting an offence? The Crown had submitted that it did. The court had rejected the submission: the respondent's mis-take of law could not convert the importation of currency into a criminal offence: and importing currency was what it had to be assumed that the respondent had believed he was doing.

His Lordship found the reasoning of the Lord Chief Justice compelling. He agreed with his construc-tion of section 170(2): and the principle that a man must be judged on the facts as he believed them to be was an accepted principle of the criminal law when the state of a man's mind and his knowledge were ingredients of the ownich he was charged.

His Lordship also agreed with the Lord Chief Justice that the case differed on its facts from R v Hussain ([1969] 2 QB 567) and R v Hennessey (Timothy) ([1978) 68 Cr App R 419), While there could be no doubt that Hussain had been correctly decided, it might be that Hunnessey would have to be reconsidered in the light of the House a decision in R v Courtie (The Time March 6, 1984) for the court in Hennessey appeared to have paid

But the point did not arise and his Lordship, therefore, expressed no concluded opinion as to whether the decision in *Hennessey* could stand with that of the House in *Courtie*. For the reasons given by the Lord Chief Justice in the Court of Appeal, with whose judgment his Lordship fully agreed, his Lordship would answer the certified question in the negative and dismiss the appeal

Lord Fraser, Lord Roskill, Lord Bridge and Lord Brightman agreed. Solicitors: Solicitor, Customs and Excise: Sebastian Coleman & Co for Fanshaw, Porter and Hazlehurst, Birkenhead.

#### Too severe a sentence

Regina v Lowes

Two years' imprisonment was too severe a sentence for the buggery of a youth of 17 by an older man where it had been committed conscisually in private and there was no suggestion that the youth had been

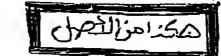
The Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) (Lord Justice Griffiths and Sir John Thompson) so stated on February 28, substituting a 12

#### Correction

In Aly v Alp (The Times December 27, 1983) solicitors for the appellant were Brian Lewis & Co, Fleet Street, not Bryan Lewis &

The Salvation Army v Devisbury (The Firmer March 1) references to section 151, which read section 151.





SPORT

FOOTBALL: ENGLAND COULD BE IN FOR ANOTHER EUROPEAN NIGHT OF SHAME

# Violence: only international censure will force the British to act

Sports

Commentary

David Miller

teams which would, say, beat Wolves in September and April,

yet be swamped by Billy Wright's men in November and

January. But what he most deplored is

the defilement of ethics: the false status of posturing man-agers above their players; the

impudence of club directors, of

the Football Association, and now of the platitudinous Minis-

ter for Sport which has alien-

ated a whole generation of once

devoted supporters and their

thinking person to take serious-

ly, full time, a sport in which

almost any match is debased, at the very least, by persistent, obscene, threatening chanting? Even Wembley has become as

disreputable as a nineteenth-

Football has been abandoned

to the thugs of the terraces and

the executive-box hangers-on

John Tosback was dismissed

yesterday as manager of Swansea City, It was the second time he had left the club this season. The club chairman Doug Sharpe said he had

been very despondent about the team's results. "I feel a new face in the club would give it the lift which we desparately need", he said. Toshack said he had been asked

to resign but had refused. He said "I couldn't see any reason to resign. The chairman told me that if I didn't he would sack me. And that's what he had to do."

After steering the club from the

fourth division to the top of the first and then seeing them slide back two

months later he returned as player-manager without a contract. There is speculation that he might now be

invited to take over at Cardiff City,

OVERSEAS LEAGUE AND CUP RESULTS

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Postponad: Stranbdurg v Nartes; Sochsus v Saint-Eitenne.
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where he began his league career.

fairground boxing

Toshack dismissed

by Swansea

nine league and cup games since the turn of the year, are second from team affairs.

How can the FA expect any

potential successors

century

Barcelone The decay of football's public appeal over the past 20 years is measured not only by the unchecked vandalism, vocal and physical, of a large minority of its alleged supporters – some of whom are nervously awaited here today — but by the permanent defection of those for whom the game was once as

much a part of weekly life as Sunday lunch. In Paris last week I met an old friend, a metallurgist who is there advising an oil company on protracted Middle East legal issue. Just over 30 years ago as undergraduates we had travelled 130 miles return by rail and tube to see Fungary reveal at Wembley a rel of skill which would remain a standard, perhaps for all time. That shared experience was as much as bond as our own modest

efforts together on the field.

The friend was born and bred in Manchester, a devout disciple of City, yet one of those sufficiently broadminded in his affection to go happily also to Old Trafford. His mother lived next door to Malcolm Allison in the days before he began orderine champagne.

There was a time when football ran in his veins as indissolubly as the more prosaic equations of chemistry, when he would never have believed that this marvellous game could cease to be an addiction. Yet today he often does not bother even to read the Saturday

results.
There are many changes he regrets, not least the uniformity of styles and tactics achieved with modern waterproof ball and the altimate synthetic advance, the plastic pitch - which has eliminated the old fluctuations of seasonal change: the Spurs or Manchester City

Tragedy for

Harrow as

Lancing win

By George Chesterton

Lancing Old Boys, the Arthur Dunn Cup holders, who produced an astonishing recovery in Satur-day's semi-final, and Old Carthu-

days semi-mai, and Old Caring-sians will dispute the final. Lancing, who were 3-0 down to Old Harrovians, eventually won 5-3 but only after G. Harrow the scorer

of Harrovians' first goal from an inswinging corner, had broken a kg.

Baucher, (ponalty), and Straggon scored again for Harrovians but Lancing replied with three goals in eight minutes through Pitcher. Beald and Bennett. They went ahead with

an own goal and then Pitcher scored

ELGIAN Antwerp 0, Anderlecht 3; Malines 3, fortrijk 1; Beringen 2, Seraing 0; Bevern 1, FC Inges 2; Loteren 3, Waterschel 1; Waregem i, FC Liege 2; RWD Molenbeek 4, Llense 0; Standard Liège 6, Bearschot 1; CS Bruges 1,

Cup draws

the international players join them after dinner.

Sociologists are obsessed with analysis of the allegedly socially depressed hooligan youngsters who have made the terraces and foreign cities a place of fear: a too liberalized approach to a genuine problem, as was echoed by Eric Heffer on Robin Day's Question Time last week. The loutish invader of the press-room in Paris whom I challenged to behave properly was more expensively dressed than I was.

Yet what about the vast, undemonstrative, law-abiding majority of both middle and working class people who have also been deprived of their privilege and modest priced

If the Prime Minister and her as yet inept Ministry for Sport are serious about law and order they must initiate legislation— not merely to ald the dithering FA, who are commercially scared of the honourouble solution, a temporary with-drawal from international competition - in order to protect the interests of the majority, and

foreign hosts, as well as to restrict the vandals, of whom the more intimidating are well-Today and tomorrow the elite social rejects provocatively waving the mantilla of Eng-land's most famous club are expected on the Costa Brava

and are said to have promised to beat the hell out of Sitges, Tossa and Loret de Mar on their way to or from the Non Camp stadium here to see the Cup Winners' Cup quarter-fingl first leg. Where is the collaboration tween Neil Macfarlane and the Spanish police, who know how to search for Basque

Toshack: refused to resign

bottom in the second division, with

penatiles.
WEST GERMAN CUP: Quarter-finals: Hanovat
96 0, Borussa Mönchengladbach 1; Bocholt 1,
Bayern Munich 2. Postponed: Hertha BSC
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Berlin v Schalles 04; Werder Bremen v VFB
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ANGENTINE LEAGUE: Boca Juniors 2,
Tallards da Cordoba 0; Newell's Old Boys 3,
Ferrocard Ceste (La Pampa) 2; Sen Lorenzo
Armagno 4, Gimtestia Esgirina Mendoca 3;
Tempertey 0, Union Del Chaco 0; Belgrano
Cordoba 1, Vetes Sersfield 0; Contral Norte
Seita 1, Rosario Central 1; Estudiantes 2, River
Plate 2; Atletico Uniguey 1, Huracan 2; Instituto
Cordoba 3, Ferrocardi Ceste 3, Altos Homos
Zapla 1, Pestarse 2; Chacardia Juniors 7,
Kemberley Mar Del Pata 0; Atlectico Tucuman
0, Independiente 1; Angentinos Juniors 0,
Racing de Cordoba 0; Union Sante Fe 2,
Atletico Ledesma 1; Olimpo Bahla Blanca 1,
Atlanta 0; Espudiantes 2, Union San Vicente 1,
BRAZILIAN: Cordiba 3, Ferrovisrio 1; Golas 2,
Rio Branco 1; Joinville 2, Auto Esporte 0; Traza
1, Tura Luso 0. Winners go through to second
stage.

18 points from 30 matches.

- in Turin, Luxembourg, Copen-hagen. Basle, Rotterdam and now Paris - continues tomorrow there can be no doubt that UEFA will be entitled to ban English clubs from European competition. Were that to happen, how could the FA complain? Only international sure will force the British to

I am not in a position to make a comparative study of British and Spanish sociological in-fluences: the strengths of Spanish police and courts, the travel mobility of the more impoverished working-class. What is certain is that the social structure of Spanish football is much superior to the British contemporary polarization of

rich and poor.

At last Saturday's league meeting between Barcelona and Betis of Seville rival groups of supporters stood side by side on one of the small standing areas behind one of the goals in the magnificent, predominantly seated, 110,000-capacity sta-

The crowd contained, as used to be the case in England, many elderly spectators, venerable old men courteously taking their wives by the arm. Thousands of families, some with four or more children, jostled politely for the wide range of hot snacks, much of them fresh cooked on open

stalls.
There was an elegance about the occasion which had nothing to do with money but was a reflection of that ambience of expectant good will which used to be the pleasure of sport in Britain. When we remember how Bobby Charlton used to be revered in Spain it will be a tragedy if that international amity is further eroded by

#### League give Charlton ultimatum

The consortium hoping to take given a 24-hour adjournment in the high court yesterday. It is seeking an order requiring adjournment re-ceiver to sell them the assets.

As talks between various parties went on both before and after the court hearing, the Football League made it clear that if the second division club is to continue it must fulfil Saturday's match at home to Grimsby, "Under no circumstances Grimsby. "Under no circumstances will it be postpoued." Graham Kelly, the Football League's secretary said. "It will either go ahead with a new company installed, which has met our conditions, or ti will not go ahead and there will be no Charlton Athletic in the Football League."

After the brief court hearing, one of the consortium, Malcolm Stan-ley, appealed for a softening of the League's demands on the new company. There is the cash available to assisfy the Football League requirements but meeting them as wanted would dennde Chariton of cash to make the club a YUGOSLAVI Red Star 2. Vardar Skopje 0; Zeljeznicar 1, Odmpija Ljubijara 1; Dinamo Vinkovci 1, Partzani Belgrade 0; Pristina 1, Rijaks 0; Buducmos Titograd 3, Dinamo Zagniti 1; Soboda Tuzia 0, Vojvodina Novi Sad 0; Halduk Spili 1, Sarajevo 1; Radnicki Nia 4, Calik Zenica 1; Velez Mostar 1, Osijek 0.
SOVIET CLIP: Caurier-Beale: Dynamo Minst 1, Calia Moscow 0; Moscow Dynamo 2, Chemomoratsi 1 (set); Torpedo Moscow 0, Zenith Leningrad 0 (set), Zenith won 7-6 on penatites.

#### Stein brings back Nicholas

The Arsenal forward, Charlie Nicholas, is included in the Scottish under-21 squad, for the match with ugoslavia on March 14, the first

rugosavia on March 14, the first tog of the European Championship quarter-final, at Aberdeen.

Nicholas was dropped from the Scotland senior squad last week. The manager, Jock Stein, said yesterday: "It will give him a bit of confidence to come into this side and play with these players again." Stein has also included Johnston, of

Watford.
Sould: Goalksepers: B Gum (Aberdeer), N Wallar (Rangers): defenders: S Clarke (St Mirren), N Cooper (Aberdeen), R Gough, M Melpes (Dundee United), S Nicol (Liverpool), M Red (Celtic), Midfelett: N Simpson (Aberdeen), R Adten. P McSlay (Celtic), R Russes (Rangers); Forwards: E Block (Aberdeen), I Ferguson (Dundee), J Hewitt (Aberdeen, M Johnson (Matford), B McClair (Aberdeen, M Moholes (Areaus), J Robertson (Heart of Midfelettson) C Walsh (Northryham Forest). does not talk to the press.

Mr Wilson, it seems, has been misquoted over an imprortant statement he made concerning Miss Kinch's non-participation in this

# The time and place were right for Banks

In the second of his interviews with remarkable goalkeepers, SIMON BARNES talks to Gordon Banks, formerly of Leicester City, Stoke, City and England, whose skill confounded even the incomparable

As every clown wants to be Hamlet, so, like every goalkeeper, Gordon Banks has always fancied himself as a centre forward. In fact, Banks - "the best I've ever faced" says Pelé - never wanted to be a goalie. When he was a lad, playing kickabout matches in the park with two jumpers at either end as goalposts, there were always arguments about who got to play the idiot's position of goalkeeper.

These were always settled by one player reluctantly going in goal "till I let one in". Perhaps better incentives for good goalkeeping could be imagined. But anyway, Banks was cajoled into keeping goal till he let one in when he and his mates were playing a bunch of bigger lads. Plainly, Banks thought, it would not be long before he was running about as centre. These were always settled by one player long before he was running about as centre forward again. He did not know that the fates had decided to referee this particular

He stayed in goal throughout the match... mainly because he did not let any goals in. There was no helping it. Banks has one of those impassive, immobile faces, like Buster Keaton. With his goal under siege in crucial matches he was accused of standing between the sticks with all the tension of a man waiting under the station clock. But his face has the remarkable ability to move from nothing to a million candlepower expression of delight that comes on like the Blackpool

"Weececcell - I thought, this is not bad.
I was making saves. Throwing myself about I was quite busy. And the next day, I sort of stayed in goal ... " and the rest, folks, is history. The start of the path that led to that famous television clip, the one the television companies have run and rerun till it must be virtually transparent, with Banksie making that save from Pelé in Guadalajara in Mexico in 1970. "I've made plenty of other saves that good." Banks said hastily. "But that one was on television – and in the World Cup."

Two years after that, it was all over. At the time of the car accident that cost him the sight of an eye and the title of the best goalkeeper in the world, he was 34, the age when goalkeepers are meant to be at their

"It's no secret that I miss it a lot, I coach, but you can't beat participation." Banks made a two-year comeback in the United States and was surprised at how well things went; but naturally, playing is all over now. He is a director of a promotions firm and he also does specialist goalkeeping coaching at Stoke City and Luton Town.



Banks at his best: a goalkeeper takes his place among football's legends

The arguments about Banks are never about whether he was the best of his time. That is axiomatic; at least it is for those of us who watched the 1966 World Cup finals at at formative age. Banks did not concede a goal until the semi-finals, and that was from a penalty from Eusebio, the best player in the tournament. The best outfield player, I mean. No, the arguments about Banks tend to be restricted to the question as whether or not he was the best goalkeeper ever.

The minimum man who achieved the maximum

#### That Pelé save

It is slightly odd that Banks is remembered for that Pelé save above all else, marvellous thought it was. For it was always Banks's way to be safe, rather than spectacular. "If I didn't have to dive, I'd know I'd done everything right. I always tried to do my job to the minimum. It is a question of positioning, something a lot of people don't understand. They think it wasn't much of a save, because the keepeer didn't have to move.

"But if you make a save look easy, you make the job of scoring seem so much harder to the forward. A little kidology comes in here. If you make it look simple, you are adding to his frustrations - and you do anything to put them off.

Banks sees the really spectacular part of goalkeeping, the diving about it, as the simple and straightforward aspect of the game. Certainly it is the side of the game

that is least amenable to coaching either you've got that kind of coordination or you haven't: the rest is just practice. "Most goalkeepers are pretty good shot-stop-pers," Banks said, "It is reading the game that is the difference between being ordinary and very good.

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Experience is the important thing here, of course. You can have a kid who plays brilliantly one day, and makes two silly mistakes the next, and that's two goals, it is completely different with outfielders. Pelé was brilliant at 18, but goalkeepers improve. The more you learn, the better

"I mean, I'm always telling goalkeepers not to anticipate. I remember conceding some goals early in my career, when I had made up my mind that the ball was going one way. When it came the other, all my weight was on the wrong foot, and I couldn't move. Helpless. But then I look back at some saves I've made, and I wonder: did anticipation help? Was there something about the shape of the body as the ball was struck that told me where the ball was going?"

Banks is an unquestioned great, a grand master turned elder statesman, but, though I hate to shatter any illusions about him, I must reveal that he wasn't trying to turn the ball over the bar when he made that special save from Pele. "I was just trying to get a hand to it." he said. "I thought it was going to drop under the bar after I touched it."

Tomorrow: Bruce Grobbelgar

#### ATHLETICS

# Miss Kinch's silent screen

From Pat Butcher, Gothenburg

the long jump.

TENNIS
GRAND PRUX RANGINGS (US unless statud):
1, J Cornors, S33 ptc; 2, J McDrnos, 525; 3, Y Noah (Fra), 296; 4, T Smd (C2), 232; 5, I Lendis (Fr), 224; 7, J Airas, 215; 8, W Fibak (Pol), 185; 10, B Testarmen, 122

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ATP RANKINGS (US unless stated): 1, I Lendi
(Cc): 2, J McErroe; 3, M Wilander (Swe); 4, J
Cownors; 5, Y Nosh (Fr); 6, J Arise; 7, J
Higueras (Sy); 8, K Durren (SA); 5, G Viles
(Arg.: 10, A Gomez.
MEXICO CITY: Davis Cup: American zone,
quarter final: Mexico bt Carnada, 5-0.

6-2. BRUSSELS: Belgian Indoor championehio, first round: H Phaser (US) bt 6 Teacher (US), 6-2, 7-5: H Gunthand: (Switz) bt M Purcell (US), 6-0, 0-6, 6-1; H Sundatron (Swe) bt W Scanion (US), 7-6, 2-6, 7-5.

HANDBALL ENGLISH NATIONAL LEAGUE: Brentwood 27. Leicester 13

FOOTBALL

rksop, postponed. DWEEK LEAGUE: Cap: Portsmouth 6,

RUGBY UNION CUP: Semi-final: Sidoup 19, Charlton

Southerd v Bradford City, postponed NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Horwich

Carritridge U 0. BOULAKE, IVORY COAST: Africa Nations Cup, first round: Nigeria 2, Ghana 1.

The Swedes are considered to be a remote people, a belief not borne out by the friendly welcome we were afforded during the European indoor championships that finished on Sunday. It was left to Beverley Kinch, the British 60 metres gold medal winner, and her coach, Doug Wilson, to indulge themselves in a manner reminiscent of Greta Garbo.

Miss Kinch, Just 20 years of age, is bound for giory, and, with the media coverage given to the sport nowadays, Miss Kinch's face could become almost as well known as that of the enigmatic Swede. But Miss Kinch, like Miss Garbo, does not want to talk to the press.

Neither does Mr Wilson, at whose behest Miss Kinch remains stlent. Mr Wilson even spent three hours at Sunday's banquet telling me that he

year's Olympic trials, Mr Wilson said that since there is a sponsor, the

FOR THE RECORD

that they produce articles which can

athletes should get paid for competing in the trials. This, he says, came out as him saying that Miss Kinch would not compete attract sponsors.

Mr Wilson has been likened to
Svengali, with his dictation to Miss unless she got paid. Hence, the press Whatever the quote, Miss Kinch is competing in neither the UK closed championships, nor the Olympic trials, both sponsored by HFC Trust, who have invested £200,000 in British athletics this year. Mr Wilson thinks his athlete should be pre-selected for the Olympic Games, but concedes that

olympic Games, but concedes that, with nine athletes already pre-selected, any calls for more would soon leave HFC Trust with nobody in the trials. The official whisper, however, is that Miss Kinch will be selected. So confident is Mr Wilson that he

anyway, for both the 100 metres and Mr Wilson does believe, in general, that athletes should be paid for performing, and he is quite right. Naturally enough, Mr Wilson also wants to attract individual sponsorship for his athlete. Where he wrong in not talking to the press is

Kinch of what she has to do with every waking moment, but his minutely detailed daily regimen, which includes a five-hour training session, has produced results. Miss Kinch won the World Student Games 100 metres last year, and then set a British long jump record while coming fifth in the world championships. Now, she is also a European indoor title holder.

predicted Miss Kinch's winning time of 7.16sec on Sunday - a new British and Commonwealth record In the unlikely event of Ade Mafe failing to realize his talents as a sprinter, there will be ample opportunity for him to make his offune as a sone and dance man. So good was his robot-mime, complete with white gloves and plastic glasses, at the banquet disco, that he

was invited to do it on the stage, and brought the house down with his BASKETBALL

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#### **Team Jack** built from bottom up

By Nicholas Harling

Jack Lehane, the coach who has taken Brackenell Pirates from bottom but one in the National League, their position last season, to their first appearance in the national championships play-offs, sponsored by Wimpey Homes, at Wembley, has been rewarded with the most valuable coach of the year award.
If Bracknell are not quite the

team that Jack built, as all but two of his squad were with the club before his arrival in the close season, they are certainly players that the genial 45-year-old American helped develop with starting success. A batchelor from Brockton Massachusetts, who spends virtual Massacruseus, who spends writing about the game, writing about it, discussing it or coaching it. Lehane was brought in from the continent by the man he was to succeed. Brian Nays-Smith. now soley the club's chairman.

Lehane's enthusiasm was infer tion. But although Bracknell started the season promisingly, their hopes of reaching Wembley on March 10 and 17 receded in a run of 10 defeats, the last of which was a humiliating 29-point loss at home to FSO Cars Warrington.

It was on the long train ride to Sunderland for the following afternoon's fixture that Lehane and his assistant, Andy Brown, one of the veterans of the English league. decided new tacties that were to bring the club not only a win on Wearside but II more victories in

the next 13 games.
With Brown, who came out of premature retirement to share the playmaking duties with the club's outstanding American. Danny Callandrillo, Bracknell slowed the game down to dramatic effect. With the weight off his shoulders Callandrillo began to look more like his old self with the result that Steve Koonan, the club's other American. his old sell with the result that Sieve Keenan, the club's other American, also benefited as did Tony Balogum who has just been selected for Great Britain's Olympic squad and Peter Scantlebury, the England junior. Wembley programme (Semi-finals on March 16): Solent v Bracknell (6.30); Crystal Palace v Warrington (8.30).

**TODAY'S FIXTURES** 

SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: Sussex RUR COP Final: Southwick v Littlehampun (at Lancing EX SENIOR LEAGUE: Handridge

OTHER SPORT

title defence

and to leave Australia. He has paid money into pension scheme and if he left the country before belonging to it for five years he would lose every penny.

# IN BRIEF

# Coetzee: injury-prone Coetzee calls off WBA

when an injury-prone fighter like Gerrie is involved, Kushner said Ragby League: Oldham rugby club's heavy appointed coach. Dave Cox, has decided not to take the post after all. Cox, who is based in Australia, was given the position after the resignation last month of Peter Smethurst and Frank Barrow. Cox telephoned to con the said of the control of the said of the control of the said of the control of the said of t Cox telephoned to say he could not afford to leave Australia. He has

The World Boxing Association (WBA) heavyweight champion. Gerrie Coetzee, of South Africa has called off his title defence against Affredo Evangelista, of Spain scheduled for May 5 in Johannesburg.

scheduled for May 5 in Johannes-burg.
Cedric Kushner, Coetzee's man-ager, said yesterday that the contest had been cancelled so as not to jeopardize Coetzee's bout with the International Boxing Federation (IBF) champion Larry Holmes due to be held in the middle of the year. There's an element of risk in any fight, and a double element of risk when an injury-prone fighter like

# HOCKEY

BASKETBALL
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Second
Watford Royals v Nottingham (8.45).

FOOTBALL
LONDON SENIOR CUP: Second Reside
Hilchen Town v Sutton United. Tailed Reside
Leytonstone/Riord v Hayes; Leyton Wingate v
Kinstonian

MID-WEEK LEAGUE CUP (2.0): Cambridge United v Southerd United. REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Cambridge University v Termonial Army (Granga Road.

RACKETS: Oxford University v Cambridge University Match (Queen's Club, 10.30em).

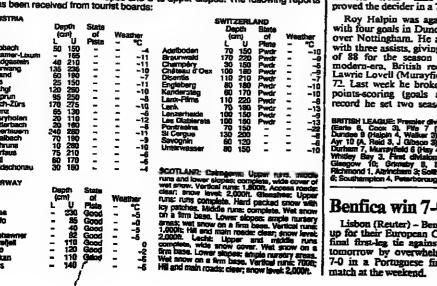
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5, AZ'67 Altmass 0; Groningen 2, Twenta
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EAST GERMAN: Rot-Weise Erfurt 0, Dynamo
Berlin 1; Harnsa Rootsock 2, Stahl Risea 0;
Wismut Aus 1, Vorwints Frankfurt 1; LOK
Leipzig 1, Chemie Leipzig 0; Cheme Halle 1,
Karl-Marx-Stedt 2; Dynamo Dresden 4, Carl
Zelss Jens 0; Union Berlin 0, Magdeburg 1,
FRIENCH: Bordeaux 0, Leval 0; Nancy 1,
Monaco 1; Ausser 1, Toulon 1; Bastis 1, Paris
Saint-Gérmain 1; Rouen 3, Toulouse 1; Nimes
w. Lena 1; Lilie 2, Brest 1; Rennes 1, Metz 2. u, rouetta I.

SPARISH: Cadiz 1, Real Sociedad 1; Real Zaragoza 0, Valencia 3; Salamenca 1, Málaga 0; Bercelore 3, Real Betts 1; Allestoo Machd 1, Real Marid 0; Seville 2, Real Valledolid 1; Ossaura 1, Sporting Gijon 0; Real Melorca 1, Real Merica 1; Athletic Bibso 1, Español 1. SylfisS: Bellinzona 0, La Chapa-de-Fonds 2; Xarnex Neuchanel 2, Chiasso 0; Sion 3, Grasshoppers 3. Postponed: Luciame v Servette; St Gallen v Laussanne; Wettingen v Basie; Young Boxay v Aarau; Zurich v Verwy. SNOW REPORTS Depth Conditions Runs to Crans Montana 160 230 Stush on lower slopes 90 180 resort Good Good Good skiling everywhere 355 Good Pwdr Good Superb skiing everywhere 60 150 Good skiing all pistes
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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports has been received from tourist boards:



ICE HOCKEY

#### Wembley does not unnerve the leading four By Robert Pryce

The prospect of playing at Wembly – "the spiritual home of British ice hockey", a sponsor's agent called it last week – has not unnerved the premier division's leading tearns. The top four all won at home Dundee and Ayr made certain that Nottingham's weekend in Scotland went unrewarded and Durham and Streatham survived more rigorous tests of their

Another large crowd at Durham saw the home team give away a 3-0 lead as Hay and Hand took advantage of power-play opportunities to put Murrayfield 6-4 ahead in the second period; but Durham recovered and Crapper's goal 12 minutes from time eventually proved the decider in a 7-6 win.

Roy Halpin was again on target with four goals in Dundee's 9-5 win over Nottingham. He also credited with three assists, giving him a total
of 88 for the season to beat the
modern-era, British record, set by
Lawrie Lovell (Murayfield) in 197172. Last week he broke the British points-scoring (goals and assists) record he set two seasons ago.

BRITISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Cleveland (Earle 8, Coox 3), File 7 (MacDougail 4): Durndes 8 (Halpin 4, Walker 3), Nottingtons 5; Ayr 10 (A, Reid 3, J Gibson 3), Nottingtons 1; Durnson 7, Murrayfield 6 (Hay 4); Streethern 6, Whilely Bay 3, Finst division: Crowtres 12 Gleegow 10; Grinsby 8, Boursmouth 7; Richmond 1, Akhrichson 2; Sollbul 7, Blackpool 6; Southempton 4, Peterborough 1.

Lisbon (Reuter) - Benfica warned

in their European Cup quarter-final first-leg tie against Liverpool tomorrow by overwhelming Braga 7-0 in a Portuguese first division

Benfica win 7-0

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SKIING WORLD CIR: Downhill: 1, U Räber (Switz), 94pts; 2, E Resch (Austria), 91; 3, F Klammer (Austria), 73; 4, S Pothorsid (Can), 74; 5, A Steiner (Austria), 67, Overall: 1, P Zurbriggen (Switz), 221pts; 2, I Stennark (Swe), 201; 3, A Werzel (Lioth), 182; 4, M Grardell (Liot), 163; 5, A Steiner (Austria), 145.

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6-2, Firest: Romaidson bt Allan, 0-4, 6-5, 5-4,
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Deuchles and Royaldson and Wirght bt Allan and
Macintoen, 6-4, 1-5, 8-1. **REAL TENNIS** 

DARTS

**RUGBY UNION** 

# Laidlaw holds the key to Scottish team against France

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

play France at Murrayfield on March 17 for the grand slam, although it remains to be seen depend on the fitness report they receive on Laidlaw, the scrum half who left the field during the game against Ireland last Saturday and was due to be examined last night.

There was no indication of concussion when he was examined on Saturday evening but Scotland will take no risks on the player's fitness. If he is ruled internationals such as Lawson or Morgan, still playing firstclass rugby with Heriot's FP and Stewart's Melville FP respectively, or a promising and over Woodward in the youngster such as Stuart Johnston, of Watsonians, younger brother of the centre, David.

Johnston junior was reserve scrum half to Hunter (Selkirk) for the B international against France and it is the cruellest blow that Hunter himself should not be available. After replacing Laidlaw and winning his first cap at Lansdowne Road, Hunter collided with a youngster as he ran off the pitch and fractured a cheekbone. He had an operation yesterday and will be out of action for six

While Scotland digest their runners-up in the French club first triple crown triumph for 46 knockout final last season.

Scotland's selectors will meet years, won with some style and lonight to consider the team to appreciated by all who have enjoyed their approach to the game over the last decade. England's selectors are digesting whether they will announce the some rather less palatable facts party tomorrow. Much may and will not decide the team to play Wales at Twickenham on March 17 until this weekend. when they will have had reports on the John Player Cup quarter-finals, and a couple of other games besides.

Carleton, the Orrell wing who left the field briefly during the second half against France, did not suffer concussion and will therefore be available against out on medical grounds they Wales but his position is not in may consider either former doubt. He hardly received a Wales but his position is not in pass all afternoon. There must, however, be queries over the composition of England's back row, over their lineout showing

> Injuries have limited the number of options available at lock and centre, including that to Davies, the Wasps stand-off, whose knee ligament injury will keep him out of his club's cup game with Bath this Saturday and from international consideration. Rees, the Notting-ham open-side flanker must be very close to a first cap while it was reported yesterday that the man in possession of the number seven shirt, Winterbottom, has been asked to play for Nice next season, who were

**MOTOR RACING** 



# Palmer is signed up

grand prix challenger, the Ram-Hart, and will make his debut for the team at the Brazilian Grand Prix on March 25. (Jeremy Shaw writes). Palmer, aged 27, sprang to prominence in 1981 when he dominated the British Formula

Three championship. This earned him a testing contract for the Williams Formula One team, for whom he made his world championship debut in last September's European Grand Prix at Brands Hatch. Palmer, who qualified as a docto in 1980 joins a team receiving support from several British busi-

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nessmen, among them the Americas' Cup challenger, Peter de Savary. The millionaire publisher Robert
Maxwell is backing Andy Wellace.
of Oxford, regarded as one of
Britain's brightest hopes.

In mill year of class is class in three-day event reigning European three-day event champion, Rachel Bayliff, who is riding her eventer, Mystic Minstrel, at this level for the first time.

**EQUESTRIANISM** 

#### Brother and sister vie for honours By Jenny MacArthur

Britain's candidates for Olympic Britain's candidates for Olympic dressage selection will show how they have progressed during the winter at the British Horse Society's trials, sponsored by Dormit, which start today at the British Equestrian Centre, Stoneleigh. The shortlist will be announced at the end of the trials on Thursday.

trials on Thursday.

Jennie Loriston-Clarke and
Dutch Courage, Britain's top
dressage combination, have been
excused these trials. Mrs Loriston-Signed up

Dr Jonathan Palmer (above) was confirmed yesterday as the driver of another all-British Formula One much to keep the horse at peak much to keep the borse at peak itness from now until July.

In their absence Jane Wilson, withthe 15-year-old Pinocchio, and her brother Christopher Bartle, with Wily Trout are likely to vie for heroogas in Thursday's Grand Prix. honours in Thursday's Grand Prix, the event which will decide the Olympic shortlist. After these three horses the

pecking order becomes less clear.
Tanya Larrigan, with Salute, and
Sarah, Whitmore, with Dutchman,
were in the team from Aachen but knocking at the door. Among them are Lady Joicey with Powdermon-key, Alan Doxey with Majestic, and Fay Crouch with Gilda. A new face in this year's Grand Prix cla

Leighton. Five minutes later Roberts seized the ball from Worrell deep inside the circle and doubled the Army's lead with the goalkeeper

After the interval the Navy attacked more vigorously and were unlucky when Drury just failed to make contact with Spinks's hard

centre from the right. The Army goalkeeper then saved from Drury

and the Navy began to look much livelier. Once Spinks had scored for

the Navy from a long corner, the Army were under mounting pres-sure but they just held out.

ARMY: Cpi P Musson (RAPC); Sqt C Peach (RAPC), Sqt S Dove-Doon (RCT), Lt P Laighton (Green Housends), Capt C Wood (RE), Capt C Grossmith (RE, capt), Lt N Sordon (RA), Lt R Johy (RA), L/Cpi I Jennings (Para), Lt A Scopet (RE), 2/Lt P Roberts (Royal Green Jacksof).

TROYAL NAVY: LPT C Ward, PO B Henry, S/LI
T Jones (sub PO G Mather), Li Cdr & Evishs,
Capt S Hosington (copf), LiCdr W. Worret,
LWEM T Sprins, LCA N Evis. POPT S
Richardson (sub PO R Newport), Lt M Drury,
Limples WO M Rickets and Sgt J R C Patel
(RAF).

HOCKEY

#### Army cover nearly blown second minute when Jennings scored off a centre from the right by

Army.....

Royal Navy.....1 After a hard struggle the Army beat the Navy in the Services championship at Aldershot yester-day to retain the Wilkinson Sword. Extra quality in attack enabled the Army to gain 10 short corners but for all their territorial superiority they were clinging precariously to their advantage near the end when the revitalized Navy forwards came strongly back into contention.
They had been almost eclipsed during the first half, when they

conceded two goals. The liveliest figure in the Army's front line was Jennings who besides scoring, had the ball in the net four more times and hit a post.

Jennings's hit from an early short corner was saved on the line by Hollington and another shot from open play soon after was stopped by the goalkeeper. The Army's persistence was rewarded in the thirty-

SNOOKER

Davis turns his

attention to

Irish Masters

Jimmy White or Tony Meo.

sporlight was all too brief.

The first round match, on March 28, between Eddie Charlton and Alex Higgins, should be interesting.

The winner will earn a place in the

For Dave Martin and John Dunning who finished second and third to Davis on Sunday, the

FRMAL: D Martin bt J Dunning, 3-2 (64-36, 61-40, 41-73, 77-30, 51-56; S Davis bt Durring, 4-1 (58-70, 92-14, 71-38, 90-20, 93-35; Davis bt Martin, 3-0 (98-14, 77-57, 85.1)

CYCLING: The Frenchmen, Patrice Thevenard broke clear 24

miles from the finish to win the

quarter-finals against Ray Reardon.

TABLE TENNIS Prean's chance to restore selectors' faith

The England selectors' decision to Steve Davis will be hoping to follow up his triumph in the Yamaha tournament at Derby on bring back Carl Prean for the last European Superleague match of the season against France at Guildford Sunday night, his third in the event tonight suggests they may have for given him for declining to play in in four years, by winning the Benson and Hedges Irish Masters tournathe English Open championship six ment, which starts at Goffs, co Kildare, on March 27 (Sydney weeks ago (a Special Correspondent Friskin writes). Davis will make his first appearance there on March 30, in the quarter-final against either

Prean, who refused to play with the plastic ball, was promptly omitted from the first three names of the five men for the European championships squad. He needs a good performance tonight to get the vote for the second singles spot ahead of Graham Sandley, the man in possession.

As England can climb only one place to finish fourth if they beat the place to miss found in they have already relegated France, they have chosen Alison Gordon, aged 21, the England No 4, for her first singles appearance in the European league.

ENGLAND (from): D Douglas (Birmingham), G Sanday (Potters Bar), C Preen (Ryds, 60%), Miss A Gordon (Reading), PRANCE (Busy Mam): P Birocheau, P Renverse, C Martin, Miss 8 Thirld, Miss N Davisud.



# Francome's reluctant hero

John Francome, the champion ockey, scored an unbelievable half-ength victory at Windsor yesterday

length victory at Windsor yesterday on racing's most reluctant horse, Dancing Sovereign. Only Francome cold have got the Sussex-trained gelding home after prospects had looked hopeless all way round the Windsor figure of eight course.

Dancing Sovereign should have given Francome his 1,000th career win at Plumpton last week, but refused to race. Yesterday he looked like doing the same and was 50 yards behind the other 17 runners in the Freddie Starr Handicap Hurdle when the race started.

when the race started.

"He was trying to pull hiroself up all the way round – the most difficult ride I've had in 14 seasons," said Francome, who somehow cajoled Dancing Sover-eign into a prominent position on

the outside ares flight. Even then, it looked hopeless as Even then, it looked hopeless as the swerved as if to duck out the eciding swerved as if to duck out of it, but Francome still had him

Warwick

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1963; Sir Wirnpy 7-11-2 G Bradley (4-1 tav) M Dickinson 25 ran.

1963: High Rainbow 6-11-2 M Dwyer (5-1) J Fitzgerald 25 ran

EDDING HUNTER CHASE (Div I: amateurs: £55
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4.30 AIR WEDDING HUNTER CHASE (Div II: amateurs: £543: 2m 4f) (12)

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1965: Royal Dust 9-12-1 R Mann (6-1) Mrs E Cockburn 12 ran.

1983; No race.

Warwick selections

5.0 LADBROKE HANDICAP HURDLE (21,534: 2m) (13)

AIR WEDDING HUNTER CHASE (Div I: amateurs: £550: 2m 4f) (13)

2.0 WATERGALL NOVICE HURDLE (Div I: 2828: 2m 5f) (25 runners)

2.30 EASTGATE NOVICE CHASE (£1,389; 2m) (1.1)

under control at the last and on the run-in, racegoers could not believe the sight of Dancing Sovereign suddenly getting into gear. He made up ground fast and led near the finish for a famous victory that was cheered all the way into the winner's enclosure.

"That was a tremendous performance from John, Dancing Sovereign has plenty of ability but he's very difficult, and seems allergic to racing", said his trainer Dina Smith. "He was getting to the stage where it was the beginning of the end for him as a racehorse. If he runs again, it will be with blinkers."

Francome quickly completed a double on Dickle Murray in the College Novices Handicap Chase and that puts him 26 behind Stan Mellor's all-time 1.034 winner record, "Not a picnic" Francome said after jumping off Fred Winter's 64th winner.

However, the week in which the champion is due to face a Jockey Club disciplinary committee for the disciplinary committee for the windsor results.

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#### Windsor results

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TOTE: Wir. E7.80, Places; £3.80, £3.30, £5.90, DF: £47.90, CSF: £22.94, W Musson at Newmarks, £1, 101, £princpalance (50-1) 441, par. Bought in 1,500gns. NF: Phelogold's Gift. 8.00 MARCH HANDICAP CHASE (21,853: 3 STRAIGHT ACCORD b g by No Argument -Honours Bless (N Paravicini) 9-11-11 S Shifston (11-8 fav)

\_\_\_\_S Moore(18-2) TOTE: Who \$3.00. Places: \$1.20, \$1.10, \$1.30. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$10.87. F Walyam at Lambourn. VJ, 15l. Mid Day Gun (8-1) 4th. 9 3.50 PREDDIE STARR HANDICAP HUMBLE (E3,414: 2m 6t) 

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2.15 CROOK SELLING HANDICAP HURDLI . 6531.2mi S Austing-11-1 D Wiskinson (16-1) By Habet D Wiskinson (16-1) 2 Wiskinson (16-1) 3 Totte Win: E38.10. Places: 57.0, 22-50, 55.90. DF: £202.30. CSF: £185.63 TRICAST: £2.434.38. P Curtis at Kirkbymoorside. Nit. 61. Notice (14-1) 4th. Villago & Bettellon (7-2 |s-law) 20 ran. No bid. Nr. Denetop Lady. 

\_\_\_\_G Byrne (40-1) TOTE: Win: £1.40. Places: £1.20, £1.20, £2.80. DF: £2.10. CSF: £3.97. M Dicisheon at Hartewood. Nk, £39. Stermane (11-1) 4th. 9 ren. Nr. Hopeful Seimt, Next Week. 3.15 NICEWANS DURHAM NATIONAL HANDICAP CHASE (92,155. 8m 4ft). SAM WREKIN b g by Peter Wretin - Sam's Song (R Thomson) 9-9-7 Mr M Meagher (11-8 fav) 1 Bush Guide - Mics V Alder(15-8) 2 Fether Delaney - G Grant(9-2) 3 TOTE Win: 22.20, Places: £1.70, £1.10. DF: £1.80. CSF: £4.08: C H Bell at Hewick, St. St. Holborn Head (11-1) 4th. 7 ran. Nr. Cavity Hunter.

3.45 ROBIN SIMPSON HANDICAP CHASE (21.143: 2m) DR GUILLOTINE by g by Tyrent - Pools (Mrs W Fairgrieve) 9-10-7 M Barnes (16-Carlingford Lough \_\_\_\_\_N Doughty (14-1) 2
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George Cold Relied \_\_\_\_\_ C Grant (7-1) 2 TOTE Win: \$4.06. Places: \$2.46, \$2.90, \$4.90. DF: \$15.70. CSF: \$24.03. Tricast: \$187.80. J Helderre at Kalco. 4, 101. Mountain Heya (7-1) 4th. Bartal (7-2 tar), 15 nan: 2.0 Firing Party. 2.30 Misty Fort, 3.0 Bonum Omen. 3.30 Furzen Hill. 4.0 Crawford Cross. 4.30 Prayukta. 5.0 Mountain Man.

RACING

# Bonum Omen ready to expose any chink in Corbiere's armour

teurs riding. Prayukta looed poised to win a similar race at

winner today when he partners

Lakin in the Tenterden Hunt-

ers' Chase at Folkestone. Lakin

has been in fine fettle this

season, winning at Fakenham

With King Baba, Left Bank, Viewed Away and storm Prince all standing their ground visi-tors to the East Kent course are

assured of an excellent race for

the Gay Record Challenge

months ago carrying 41lb less than he has today and he should

go well again, provided that his confidence has not been affec-

ted by that unpleasant experi-ence at Kempion last month when he was brought down.

will manage to concede 24lb to Storm Prince, who has also got

a victory over today's course

and distance to his credit

Recently, Storm Prince showed that he was in fine fettle when running The Somac to half a

However, I doubt whether he

King Baba won this race 12

and Leicester.

I eicester last week but fell. Sherwood's younger brother, Simon, should also be on a

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent Corbiere, the winner of last the most accomplished amascason's Grand National and currently second favourite for Aintree this year, will be the star attraction at Warwick today when he contests the Crudwell

At his best Corbiere would have an outstanding chance of winning but there must be a doubt about him being at his peak again so soon after being injured in the Eider Steeplechase at Newcastle on February 18. On that occasion he was inadvertently became the meat in the sandwich after a bout of scrimmaging took place. He returned home bruised and

Obviously, Jenny Pitman would not be running him again so soon unless she was happy with him, but the fact remains Corbiere has missed some work and in the circumstances it might be more sensible to go for Bonum Omen who will be receiving 15lb.

Warwick brought the best out of Bonum Omen twice last season, initially when he won the Edward Courage Cup by 20 lengths and again when he won the Brooke Bond Oxo National Trial. His best effort this season was at Chepstow two days after Christmas when he finished fifth in the Welsh National, in front of Corbiere, incidentally. Bonum Owen is a relentless galloper who will be well suited by today's distance and if there is a flaw in Corbiere's armour he looks the one to expose it.

The Ayr Wedding Hunters Trophy has had to be spilt for the second year in succession for safety reasons. With Con-naught Ranger, Siobhan's Jot; Assured and Prayukta all drawn together the second division looks the harder.

Connaught Ranger won at Newbury before he finished fourth in the race won by Swifwood at Doncaster recently. He has a good chance, judged on that form, but I prefer Prayukta, the mount of Oliver Sherwood, who is one of

Finally, Josh Gifford's Wilv Yeoman, who won in convincing style at Plumpton last time out, should land the Hythe Novice Hurdle at the expense of

Deep In Debt.

length at Fontwell.

Lord Wigg honoured Lord Wigg, former chairman of the Levy Board and life president of BOLA until his death last August, is to be commemorated by the George Wigg Memorial City and Suburban Handicap at Epsom on April 24. The race, which will have £12,000 added, is to be sponsored by BOLA. On the

be sponsored by BOLA. On the same day a bronze head of Lord Wigg, sculpted by Angela Conner, will be unveiled at the course by Lord "Manny" Shinwell, a close friend and parliamentary colleague of Lord Wigg.

Sam Wrekin earns a rest

Sedgefield's biggest race of the Meagher, who partnered Sam season, the McEwans Scotch Wrekin, has now had seven Durham National, has often proved a pointer to Aintree, with past winner's Rubstic and Red Alligator course.

Rubsch Childe who led for much of winner's Robstic and Red Alligator brimsphing there. But yesterday's But teleptolength winner, Sam Wrekin, will not run again this season.

Harry Bell, his trainer, said "He has done enough this season, but next year we have the Eder Chass and-possibly the Scottish National lined up for him.

The amatour rider Michael said.

course.

Bush Guide, who led for souch of

Bush Guide, who led for much of the trip until caught four out by the winner, was confirmed as a definite runner for Aintree. "He ran really well and now goes for the Grand National. It is possible I could give him one more run at Newcastle on March 17," his trainer John Alder

**Folkestone** GOING: good to soft. 1.45 DEAL NOVICE HURDLE (£564: 2m 110yd) (17 runners) DEAL NOVICE HURDLE (2564: 2m 110yd) (17 runne 24106 (1830d) (1 R Compbell 4

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POINT TO POINT New course with a sylvan

> setting By Ian Reid

The Ross Harriers tomorrow hold the first meeting over a new park course, all on old turf, at park course, all on old thin, at a Garnons, (seven miles west of Hereford, off the A438), the estate of Sir John and Lady Cotterell. Spectators will get a splendid view, not only of the racing, but also of the Wye Valley in the background. I fancy Crumpet Catcher for the Audit-Adiacett. Tenlescher for the Audit-

Adjacent, Tanker for the men'sopen and Royal Portora for the
ladies.

Courses come and go, but many,
will bewait the loss of Mollington,
where the Bicester raced in bright sunshine for the last time last Saturday, Four horses rose together Saturday, Four noises rose together, at the last fence in the men's open, at the last fence in the men's open, at the last fence in the men's open, at the strongest for James Tarry, holding off Deep Tartan by half a length, with the favourite, Britway, conceding 7th to the winner, the same distance away third, and The Froddler fourth.

Froddler fourth.

Jenny Pidgeon displayed all theskill and timing which have earned
her two championships in piloting:
the grey Zarajeff to victory in the ladies' open, a race she had won last, year. Theresa Webber, who had, taken the hunt race on White paper, was three lengths adrift on Brockie.

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After gaining places on Lady'
Aubrey-Fletcher's Master Piece and
Fada in the first two races at
Mollington, Craig Pitgim dashed toDidmarton, where he proceeded towin the Bennfort maiden for Alex,
Mason on the unconsidered and,
hitherto unraced Penniless Bill. The
Bush family scored a double in the
two members' races, Nicky winning;
the traditional one on the hot'
favourite Rugamour and his brother.
Stephen the other on their father's, Stephen the other on their father's, Ana Mendoza, after Giotta Fior had unseated his rider when leading at

Though still jumping to the right, Though still jumping to the fight, sea Tangle gave Roy Barber an exhiterating ride in the North Norfolk Harriers' Audi Adjacent, winning unchallenged by seventengths from Master Croft. Sea Tagle is definitely being aimed at the Audi final at Sandown, where the right-handed track will suit him. The Audi adjacent at the Mid-Smrey Farmers Drag Hound was The Audi adjacent at the Mid-Surrey Farmers Drag Hound was won easily by Lestie Vine's consistent No Justice, ridden by the South-East area chairman, John Hickman, who had three sons also riding at the meeting, Jacksway, 3-d on for the RMC Group Ladies' could finish only fourth and was found to have broken a blood vessel. Underistoes (Sarah Fruech) beat Linescar (Nicky Ledger) by a legth in a time of 6 min 25 sec: Mark's Methane (Bob Hacking) clocked the same time in the first Diners' Club open and Silent Burn (David Evatt) Just held off the fastinishing Fancy Fellow (Paus

(David Evait) just held off the fast-finishing Fancy Fellow (Paul Hacking) in the second.

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# Willis sees the positive approach as an escape from shadow of Qadir

From John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent, Karachi

The history of Test matches in Pakistan shows them as being not only notoriously hard to win but almost as hard to lose, This was England's main source of encouragement on the res day here yesterday as they contemplated the "fairly tight corner" (Bob Willis's words) in which they find themselves in the first of their three Test matches in Pakistan, With two days left for play and eight second-innings wickets in hand England are 41 runs behind.

Abdul's Qadir's shadow has settled on the England camp. "We must play him positively", Willis said, "and that is easier said than done." At least the thinking is right. Although, these days, English batsmen have little chance of playing against a top-class leg spinner, they usually find, after a while, ways and means of keeping one at bay. It is while they are working out a modus operandi that they are most vulnerable. This showed on Friday and Saturday, when they were being bowled out for 182 on what Willis described as having been a "400 pitch".

In Australia recently Qadir had a poor series. He attributes this partly to the difficulty he had there of gripping the ball. It can be the same, he says, in England. Because he sweats a lot he looks for convenient patches of dusty ground on which to brush, and so dry, his bowling hand. In Pakistan, but not in England or Australia. these are easily found. It was also the case that in

Australia he sometimes found himself having to bowl against as many as five left-handers in a single Test match - Wessels, Border, Phillips, Yallop and Marsh. Not even Bill O'Reilly, perhaps the greatest of all leg spinners, would have cared for that. To O'Reilly the left-handed Maurice Leyland was forever a thorn in the fiesh. In Pakistan's five Test matches in Australia this winter Qadir took 12 wickets at 65 runs apiece. In Pakistan 18 months ago, against an Australian side containing only two left-handers, he took 22 wickets on three Test matches at 25 apiece.

The chances are that the series will be decided here in Karachi if Pakistan win - and

way the Bourda pitch plays on the

last two days. The match resumes

today with Australia 72 ahead and

The pitch's character has changed

all second innings wickets in hand.

that is the likeliest result the things here. The brightness pitches will be so good for the reflected off the very white remaining Tests that two draws, sightscreens and white stumps though not inevitable (even in Pakistan they are never quite that) will be highly probable. Pakistan could also be reinforced by then by Mudassar and Miandad. If England get away with a draw tomorrow,

they will feel more comfortable playing Qadir in Faisalabad and Lahore. An English victory in this match would probably require a tour de force from Botham, and even then, Pakistan, under strength though they are, would have to bat

uncommonly poorty to lose.

The pitch, though it will wear a little, is likely to disintegrate.



Willis: in tight corner

On Sunday evening Qadir seemed to be getting rather less out of it than on Saturday morning, but that may have been because the very heavy roller, asked for by Willis, had for the moment knocked all the stuffing out of it. Willis believes the best way to make the ball swing out here is not by shining it but to soak one side of it with sweat. The matches are being played with English balls and those used during the first three days did occasionally move in the air. Botham's general length might not have suggested it, but he always was a believer in the energetic long hop . . . or intended bouncer. It was, in fact, with two such that he took

The weather is perfect, every day as cloudiess as the one before, and with a breeze getting up after lunch. The only trouble about the breeze is that it raises the dust. While batting on Sunday - Smith was constantly needing to get the dust out of his eyes. The larger the crowd. of course, the more the dust flies; but that has not affected

Bourda pitch will have the last word

SCORES: Australia 279 (K C Wesouts 78, R M Hogg 52; J Gerner 6 for 78; R A Harper 4 for 59; and 25 or 0; West Indiae 230 (D £ Heynes 44; T G Hogen 4 for 58).

RADELLA: Rain restricted play in the New Zealanders' match sgainst a Sri Lanka Cricket Control Board President's XI to only 90

Christie

getting used to. These things

planning of whistle-stop tours.

it was said that capacity crowds invariably watched cricket in

Pakistan. I have missed only the

first of all England's tours here.

yet the only occasions when I have seen full grounds have

been for matches played away

from the main centres, such as

Shaiwal and Sialkot for one-day

internationals. Attendances in Pakistan have never matched those in India. With riots

threatened and Pakistan's cri-

cket going through a difficult time not to mention the absence of Imran, Miandad and Mudas-

sar, there was never the

liklihood of big crowds for this first Test Match, even so, their

size really has been ridiculous.

The National Stadium is, in

fact, seven or eight miles from

the city, and even law-abiding

students would find it hard to

penetrate the security. For the first time, too, a Test Match is

being quite extensively tele-vised. More than anything, though, I believe the current

surfeit of Test cricket and the

growth of the one-day interans-

tional to be responsible for

One record Willis's side

almost certainly could claim

was that five days after their

arrival in Pakistan they were all being given a clean bill of health, that was so, anyway, at the moment of writing. They

have nothing worse than a few

butterflies at the prospect of

playing Qadir and perhaps a little home-sickness among

those form whom runs, wickets

and opportunities have been

strictly limited. The reason for

Gatting's dismissal in England's

first innings, by the way, when he played inside a turning off

break from Tauscef, was that he

caught his bat in the top of his

pads. That comes as an

SCORREN: England 182 (D I Gower 58; Abdul Clumbr 5 for 74, Serfrez Newez 4 for 42) and 54 for 2; Peldston 227 (Sallin Mells 74, Michela Khen 64; N G B Cook 6 for 65).

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THE TIMES TUESDAY MARCH 6 1984

By Srikumar Sea

Now that it looks as if Errol Christie, and not Mark Kaylor, will be boxing Bobby Rico Hoye, of Detroit, at the Bloomsbury Crest Hotel, London, on March 21, the Coventry middleweight will be out is also a factor and takes some Coventry middleweight will be out to prove once and for all that he is tend to be overlooked in the the man to challenge Kaylor for the British and Commonwealth titles, Christie's connexions claim that I remember at the time of the Packer hearing in the High Court in London being mys-tified when, on Packer's behalf,

Chrishe's connexions claim that since Terry Lawless considered Hoye a worthy opponent for Kaylor, ranked seventh in the world, and had asked Mike Barrett to book him for the Albert Hall, "there can be no questions or doubts raised as to Hoye's suitability. If he was a good enough opponent for Kaylor, then be must be a test for Christic. Frank Warren, the promoter, is

Frank Warren, the promoter, is hoping that a good win over Hoye will go a long way to convincing the boxing board that Christie should be the man to challenge Kaylor.

It is more likely that the board will be watching Roy Gombs as a likely oppouent for the British and Commonwealth champion from West Ham. Gumbs has returned from a back operation, and says that from a back operation, and says that he is ready to box anyone, especially kaylor, who relieved him of the titles. Gumbs faces an American, Lindell Holmes, on the same bill.

Mr Warren's third middleweight championship hope, limmy Price, of Liverpool, keeps his claim up to date with a bout against Succey McSwain, of New York, at the Afan Lido, Aberavon, on March '28. The main event on the bill is, of course, the meeting of Colin Jones, Wales's world No 2, and Allan Braswell, of the United States.

Stewart Lithgo, of Hartlepool, is lined up for the Commonwealth cruiserweight championship (the Press Association reports). At a recent meeting in London, the Commonwealth Championships Committee decided to adopt the cruiserweight division and nominated five as eligible to box for it, Lithgo meets the Australian former light, heavy meight. Steve A voel in light-heavyweight, Steve Axcel, in Brisbane, on May 14.

VOLLEYBALL

#### Spark out to upset rivals in Mikasa Cup By Paul Harrison

Hillington Ladies, the cham-pions, ended their league pro-gramme with a 3-0 defeat of their closest rivals, Sparks, at the weekend. Barry Swann, the Spark coach said afterwards: "Hillindon are a better team than us. You really have to catch them on a off day and

have to catch them on a off day and then play well yourselves it will be an exceptional achievement, therefore, is Spark upset Hillingdon in the Mikasa Cup finals on April 29.

Hillingdon's coach, Peter Stringer, thought their performance in the last half of the game was the best Hillingdon had played all season. They trailed 13-2 in the second set but recovered to win 15-13.

They hope for European competition next season and are seeking sponsorabip. Hillingdon tried to enter Europe this season, but the English Volleyball Association prevented them from doing so, because a loan had not been repaind. It since has.



TENNIS.

# Paris clay supreme test for world No 1

- From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, New York

The second-best player in the world, Chris Lloyd, has taken only two sets from her last nine matches with Martina Navranilova. That is a measure of Miss Navratilova's supremacy. After Sunday's final of the Viginia Slims championships at Madison Square Garden, Miss Navratilova said her next task was to do something she had never done before her Madison. before: beat Mrs Lloyd on clay. Miss pnavratilova has won only

one set from their eight matches on clay, all played from 1973 to 1981. Clay is the surface on which Miss Navratilova, like John McEnroe and Jimmy Connors, is least at ease. and Jimmy Connors, is least at ease. It has begun to dominate her thinking because of that blank record against Mrs Lloyd, because Miss Navratilova was beaten in the fourth round of last year's supreme clay-court test, the French championships, and because the next trip to Paris presents her with a cabace to complete grand slams in both singles and doubles.

In more then 15 months Miss

Navratilova has been beaten only three times. On Sunday she defrated Mrs Lloyd 6-3, 7-5, 6-1 in an hour and 53 minutes in the first woman's final for 82 years to be decided over the best of five sets. "I played a good, two-set match," Mrs Lloyd said later. "In the third set I was a

bit down mentally."
No wonder. Mrs Lloyd had given one of her finest and most vigorous performances for years but was two sets down to a younger, stronger and better player. Something must have died within her because victory had become a hope without substance. The word "vigorous" is particularly opposite. Miss Navratilova considered this was the "most physical" of their 57 matches and she was probaly right. Clearly, neither was

apprehensive about the possibility of playing five sets. superb match was illuminated by the uncommon ferocity of Mrs Lloyd's ground strokes and the agility, strength and racket control with which Miss Navratilova boldly met the challenge. The quality of her volleying and half-volleying may never have been surpassed by a woman. Miss Navratilova was awesome. She considered this the best tennis she has ever played against Mrs Lloyd. For two sets, it

Miss Navratilova said that playing three out of five sets would reduce the chance of upsets and make it more difficult for anyone to beat her. She thought it might be easible from quarter-finals on but added that further experiment was desirable first. Sunday's example was obviously successful in giving the public more value for money and providing the woman's lour with a distinctive climax.

Miss Navratilova, whose single prize was a record, won a total of £100,340 from a tournament that produced enthralling tennis and broke two crowd records for a women's event: Sunday's 15,309 and the six-day total of 78,577.

Finally, it must be doubted if the television commentaries have ever been excelled in their analysis of players and play. In every way the championships provided a feast of tennis - and made a little history in

THIRD PLACE: P Shriver (US) bt B Poster (US), 6-4, 7-6.

#### Olympic umpire

Malcolm Huntington, of York, who umpired last year's don, had been appointed chief umpire for this year's exhibition tournament at the Los Angeles Olympic Games. He will be the only British umpire there

# No sex please, we're British rainbows

layman, incomprehensible inter-ference with chromosomes, known only to hatchery men in their darkened rooms, only sexiess rainbows and female rainbows will be stocked in farmin largest front be stocked in anythin a largest trout fisher; at Rutland Water next year. The only males left in existence will be a few fish in special breeding cages who will have nothing to do exerpt produce more and more

The news comes from an article by Steve Windsor in the March issue of Trout Fisherman magazine. The sexless raintent known as triploid fish, come originally from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries research centre at Weymouth. Now Rutland Water hatchery, which is probably the biggest in England, is producing them in England, is producing them in hundreds, shortly in thousands.

Rainbows unpreoccupied with sex are said to be brighter and more cheerful and will put on more weight than frustrated males, and will be in better condition all the year round,



All this may well be true.

At the same time, sentimental though it may be, one camout help feeling a little sorry for the rainbow. They did not want to come to this country in the first place. They do not like England. They never did. They breed maturally and prolifically in America but when they were imported here in the 1830s they stopped breeding altogether. Well, almost.

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According to a survey some 10 years ago by Dr Winifred Frost, for the Salmon and Tront Association, of the 500 waters holding rainbows. of the 500 waters notating rainbows in this country in ony five do rainbows breed unimally. The other 495 waters, which incidentally include some of the famous chalk streams, have to be stocked from fish farms. Why this reluctance to breed, even in the most beautiful of our rivers? No one knows. Some kind of a resistance movement?

**GOLF** 

#### Sunningdale hosts 1987 Walker Cup

By Mitchell Platts The Royal and Ancient have broken with tradition by selecting Sunningdale as the venue for the Walker Cup match in 1987, Great Britain and Ireland will meet the United States on an inland course for the first time since the bi-annual match was instituted in 1922, It will ake place on the Old Course on May 27 to 28.
The Amateur Championship, which will be played the following

week on June I to 6, is to return to Prestwick for the first time since Gordon Jeffrey, chairman of the Royal and Ancient championship committee, says: "The decision to

take the Walker Cup to Sunninge does not reflect any change in policy. The course is in the right place and it plays more like a links than an inland course". It is an interprising decision and

with the course in close proximity to London it will be interesting to see the response of the public in supporting the Walker Cup, which has been dominated by the

#### Bean submits to Lietzke's rally

Coral Springs, Florida (Reuler) -Bruce Lieuzke made up four shots on the third-round leader, Andy Bean, to beat him on the first hole of a sudden-death play-off on Sunday to win the \$500,000 Honda Classic Lietzke tapped in a two-foot putt on the first extra hole to win \$90,000

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PAINTER- On Seturday March 3rd 1994. Li Commander Arthur Collect Patrider, OSE aged 95 poacefully at home. Deser Husband of bashel, faither of Hilary and Mary Roce, and grander, the treat west Matting on Thursday Sin March at 2.50pm., followed by a private cremation. Family (lowers only please, and donations, if destred to The Hospice St William's Way, Rocheter, Kent. Catherine (nee Brown) and Michael-a son (Matthew), a brother for Thomas and Felicity. D.G. sor I normals and reactly. D.U.

NORMANN. - On February 22nd, to
Donne Inte Unce) and Patrick, a
daughter, Genevieve Catherine
Mary, a sider, for Ross and James.
PERE. - On 4th March to Sylvia and
Robin, a son, Maxwell Herbert, a
brother for Excity. Rocheler, Kenz.

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Mass 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 7th
at the Convent of the Sacred Heart.
Femhan. Newcastle upon Tyre. RIF.
ROGERIS - On March 5th, at this home,
Forest Way, Woodford Green, Alfred
Arthur. Royel Warwickshire

POWELL-TUCK.-On March 1st, at the West Landon Hopstell. to Flona and Jeremy - a son (Thomas). ROBERTS. - On March Sth. et Queen Charlotte's Hospital. In Stella and Clive, a son - Ashley James. a bruther for Brandon. 106030ff. – On 1st March, lo Reselled trée Milchell) and Kenneth, a son – Oliver James, a brother for Abigail and Arny. Abigai and Amy.

ROSS. - On 29th February, at the

West London Hospital. to Alexandra
(10to Holland) and Alistair, a son
Lanna Alistair George McKenzie), a

brother for Ketherine and Victoria. SHERSROOKE - On February 29 to Mirenda and Stroom - a son. a brother for Archie and Rose. STEWART-HUNTER On March 1st 1984 at Sath to Sally (nee Rogers) and David a daughter Clare Hilary. WYNN-JONES On 29th Pebruary in Bristol to Anne (Née Calcott) and Richard, a son. Turochy Hatton, a brother for Catherine and Robert.

**MARRIAGES** 

**DEATHS** 

CARSE. BEAZLEY, - On Sunday, 4th March.
Arthur Staert, aged 100 thorn 28th
February 1884, of Betherden,
Kent. Edier and Common Arthur
Beastley, Funeral private, followed by
cremation, No flowers.

snave. Memorial Service to be arranged later.

\*\*BROOK - On March 2nd. peacequity whitel steeping, iris Brook. S.R.N., S.C.M., in her 82nd year, widow of Charles Wortham Brook. C.B.E., F.R.C.G.P., very loving and loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Nurse Governor of Cray's Hespital for 28 years. A service of the second later than a second la

CAPRON. - On March 4. peacefully at St. Raphael's. Danellill. Surseys. after an illness bravely borne. Mary Esia. much loved sister of the late Nigot, Charles and Brende Pire, aum of Cad Critifon and greate Pire. Aum of Cad Critifon and Greate Charch. Lewes. Fitting, March 9, at 1.45 pm. Family Plowers only. Donaldons if desired to Rayal Society for the Protection of Birds. c, 0 Cooper & Son Protection of Girds. c, 0 Cooper & Son Protection of Girds. c, 0 Cooper & Son Protection of Carson Pire. College. Content of Carson Pire. College. Contents and greater of the secondary college. Contents and

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Col and bits F. J. Caruthers. of Dermont. Dumitiesshire. dearly loved husband of Evelyn. Father of Jensel. Deambank. Francis and Jensel. Deambank. Francis and Jensel. The College of Th

CHIUTE, - On February 28 in Maite Anthony Richard Spencer, aged 30 Desmond.

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PANYSON- ON THE MARCH PROCEEDINGS AND THE PROCESS OF T DUNLOP. - On March 5th, 1984, at Benneim Lodge, Minehond, peace-telly in her 101st year. Rush Mary, widow of Prebendary Gerald Dunlop, formerly of Dunster, Semental, Cremather private, facility Semental, Cremather private, facility

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director Managunio Research and
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Indies, husband of Jean and Rether of
George and Marie.

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GHLESPIE - On 29th Pebruary, 1984, paperfully at Ashdord Hossita.

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Academ as the crematorium.

ACAGEM — On March Srd. as Hastemere, peacefully in her step. Cladys, formerly of Crowapits Coner, Codalming, Funeral middley Tuesday, 15th March, at Guildford Crematorium.

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MACEWAN - Dorothy Margard of
Sabirday March 3rd at home in New
York, late of Arusha. Tanzania.

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MASON - On 2nd March, Ros. aged

20. following an accident, dearly
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BORGAN - On March 1st. quirtly al his home at Tingewick. Buckingham. In his Sard year. Donald Morgen. Service and cremation at Crownhill crematarium. Sincey Stratford, Milton Keynes, at 2.30pm on Wednesday.

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On March 2nd 1994, al her home.
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Geraldine and Diana. Funeral
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STRAFFORD. - On March 4, Robert Cecil Byne, 7th Earl of Strafford, peacefully at home, High Crean, Tarset, Enquiries to Walton, Hexbam

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4.45 Night Best News, More

5.15 Years Ahead. Magazine

programme for the older

viewer, presented by Robert Dougall there is a tilm on the problems of making a benefit claim; Molly Wright of East Lothian has been investigating

her family tree; actress Elizabeth Sellers talks to Mary Stott about her role in the

Channel 4 drama series, Win-ter Sunlight, in which she plays

a woman coming to terms with growing old; and in the archive apot there is a 1926 film of an ingenious oven timer.

6.00 Bewitched. Vintage American

6.30 Cautionary Tales. Part two: Violence in the Home, Solicitor

comedy series about a mere mortal man with a witch wife

Bernard Simmons illustrates with the case histories of three

women, that there is no need for a women to put up with

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7.00 Channel Four News includes a

7.50 Comment. With his personal view of a matter of topical

5.00 Brookside. Harold takes it upon himself to be the Close

Alan and Heather. At the

report on the first testing in

Britain of the type of containers used to transport

importance is Philip Circus, a barrister and legal adviser to the institute of Practitioners in

metchmaker and tries to further the friendship between

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of his stx-pert series the late Tom Keating demonstrates the

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6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. No from Dabbie Rix at 6.30, 7.00. 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; television preview at 6.55; a review of the morning papers at 7.18 and 8.18; exercises at 7.25; horoscopes at 8.33; lood and conking and financial advice Exercise A. S. Graft of the Weaver. The first of five programmes in which leading handweavers

6.00 Ceefax AML

demonstrate their techniques (r). 9.25 Ceetax, 10.30 Play School, presented by Ben Thomas (r). 10.55 Ceefax. 12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weather prospects come from Michael Fish, 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only, Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles), 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. Music and conversation from the fover of the Birmingham studios 2.45 Chock-a-Block. A See-Saw programme for the very young

2.00 Caught in Time presented by James Cameron, Lady Rose McLaren explains a home movie made in 1934 by her father, the Marquess of Anglesey, ridiculing the Blackshirt movement (r). 2.20 Film: This Man is Mina\* (1934) staming Irene Dunne as the wife who has to protect her husband from the wicked machinations of his former fiancée. Directed by John Cromwell.

3.35 Cartoon: Barnyard Babies. 3.48 Regional news (not London). 3.50 Magic Roundabout (r). 3.55 Play School, presented by Elizabeth Watts, 4.20 Cartoon: Laurel and Hardy, 4.25 lackenory. 4.40 Charlie Brown. Cartoon (r). 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Treasure Houses. Mark Curry at Selbourne the home of country parson, Gilbert White, 5.35 The Wombles (r).

5.40 Sixty Minutes includes news at 5.40 from Moira Stuart: weather at 5.54; regional news nagazines at 5.55; news readlines at 6.38. 6.40 Harty, His quests are Susan

George, Mr Universe (Jeff King) and Dr John Nicholson. 7.10 The District Nurse. Episode nine and Megan, stung by the barrage of complaints about her, decides to leave Pencwm for a few days. 7.40 A Question of Sport. A test of

sporting knowledge between one team led by Bill Beaumont, another by Emlyn Hughes. 8.10 Dallas. Sue Ellen goes on a

shopping spree in Jenna's boutique while J. R. continues with his plan to cause the commercial downtall of Cliff Sames (Ceetax titles page 9.00 News with Sue Lawley.

9.25 Play for Today: Moving on the Edge, by Rose Tremain. The story of middle-aged Camilla, a wife and mother who has an arid relationship with her husband and cannot communicate with her daughter. Starring Eleanor

Bron (see Choice). 10.30 Film: The Power Play (1976) starting Raymond Burr as an investigative journalist who is given the job of examining the reasons behind a newspaper's

: Tv-am 6,25 Good Morning Britain presented by John Stapleton and Anne Diamond, News from Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and

9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.35; consumer affairs at 6.40 and 8.45; exercises at 6.50 and 9.15; the day's odd anniversaries at 7.05 and 8.05; a guest in the Spotlight at 7.20; cartoon at 7.25; guest of the day Timothy West, at 7.40; pop music news at 7.50; Ideal Home Exhibition preview at 8.10; video report at 8.35; baby talk at 9.05.

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9.25 Thames news headlines, 9.30 For Schools: Simple arithmetic. 9.45 Talking about the past 10.04 A visit to a colliery, 10.21 German conversation, 10.43 Evolution 11.08 Creative ways of using lelsure, 11.25 A visit to two ice cream factories, 11.38 The Pompidou Centre in Paris. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. Seaside adventure of the Cockle twins. 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppers (r), 12.30 The Sullivane

1.00 News. 1,20 Th mes news. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Crown Court Mother Figures. Did Stephen Hodges really assault Jacqueline Coombs or were her injuries caused by slipping on icy steps?

2.30 Comedy Tonight, How minority groups are depicted in comedy, 3.00 Mr and Mrs. Quiz game for married. couples, 3.30 Miracles Take Longer.

4.00 Cockleshell Bay. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 On Safari. Christopher Biggins and guests Anneka Rice and Brian Cant tackle studio jungle obstacles, 4.45 CBTV, 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News 6.00 Thames news.

6.20 Help! Viv Taylor Gee examines the role of the ten year old Gay 6.30 Crossroads. The news is leaked that Paul Ross is a

6.55 Reporting Landon presented by Michael Barratt investigates

the organisations behind London's illegal flyposting business. 7.30 Name That Tune. Fast moving musical quiz presented by Tom O'Connor. 8.00 The Sweeney, Regan and

Carter are on the trail of a missing professor who has been researching into a new miracle heart drug. Their investigations include questioning Morecambe and Wise whose photograph was found in the home of the missing man (r). 9.00 The Jewel in the Crown: An

Evening at the Maharaneo's Episode ferr and Colone Layton has been released from prison camp and is Bombay. Also in that city is Military Intelligence sergeant, Guy Perron who becomes part of the web of intrigue spun by Ronald Merrick (Oracle titles 10.00 News.

10.30 First Tuesday. Families Who. Wait concerns the battle by two families to be reunited with their children who have been taken into care. Aunt Annie's Bomb Factory wonders whether or not justice was done when seven people were sent to prison following the IRA bombing campaign in

1974 (see Choice). 11.30 Levkes Man. Episode three of

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Eleanor Bron: Moving on the Edge (BBC1 9.25 pm)

BBC 2 6.05 Open University: Modern Arts: Power, 6.55 Biology, 7.45 Acceleration at Constant Speed? Ends at 8.19.

9.00 Coefax. 9.09 Daytime on Two: German conversation. 9.26 Maths: scale. 9.48 Mathscore One. 10.10 Look and read, 10.35 Japan, 11.00 Life in a castle. 11.17 Walrus, 11.49 English.
12.03 David Bellamy with
Harvests and Hay Days, 12.35
The grey youth of Japan, 1.05 Maths: matrices, 1.19
Electromagnetic spectrum,
1.40 A day at the seeside, 2.00
You and Me, 2.15 British social

history: from sail to steam. 2.40 Ceefax 5.10 Sounds of Language. An Open University production that examines the reasons why and how we are able to produce different sounds. News summary with subtitles 5:40 That Was the Year. Chris

Serie takes a modern look at the year 1666 when first the great plague wreaked havoc, then the great fire of London. 6.10 Junior Kick Start, Heat three of the Lombard Tricity Trophy

6.35 Cartoon Two: The Clever 6.40 Tucker's Luck. The final

episode of the drama serial about out-of-work teenager (r). 7.10 Travellers in Time. Duncan Carse introduces the 1934-mate King of the Sun, the story of one stage of a round the world expedition mounted by an American team. The film begins with their arrival in Colombo and ends with a neeting with the emperor of Abvssinia (r).

7.40 Top Gear. William Woolfard reports on a scheme developed by Nottinghamshire police whereby drivers are not automatically prosecuted if found with a faulty car.

8.10 Timewatch throws new light on the Charge of the Light Brigade; Britain's fear that the Korean War would develop rito a global atomic conflict. and reviews Sir Arthur Bryant's latest book. 9.00 Ales Smith and Jones. The

off-beat series starring Met Smith and Griff Phys Jones. Your Life in Their Hands. The story of five-year-old Vicky Aldridge's fight to conquer her arthritis from which she has suffered since the age of

10.00 Arena: The Caravaggio Conspiracy. How former Sunday Times journalist, Peter Watson, conned the crooks of

four of her five children taken into care after her husband battered her

FIRST TUESDAY (ITV 10.30 pm). The first, Families Who Wait, tells the story of the fight by two families to have their children returned to them by the councils who took the children into care, Malcolm and Lindsey placed their son in council care a few months after he was born because of Lindsey's severe post-natal depression. That was four years ago and now the little boy has a younger brother and sister. The family is a stable one but the council refuses to give the child back to his parents. To his eternal profit Matrophysics and present to credit, Malcolm has refused to accept the decision, even when he

done and both are actively

lost an appeal in the High Court, and has taken the case to the European would seem long overdus.

McKenna completes the Camilla, the character created by studded cast as the libit Rose Tremaine in her play, MCVING Camilla's former lover.

children. Now divorced, she has tried

CHOICE

documentary, Aust Annie's Bomb Factory, casts doubt on the expert evidence that brought the conviction of an irish family for handling nitroglycerine, following the 1974 IRA bomb outrages in England, Lord Pitt and Sir John Biggs-Davison are convinced that justice has not been

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.16 Farming Today, 6.25 Shipping
Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30
News Summery, 6.45 Prayer for
the Day, 8.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.80
8.00 Today's News. 7.20 Your
Letters. 7.26 8.25 Sport. 7.45
Thought for the Day. 8.35
Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57
Weether, Travel.
9.00 News.

9.00 News.
9.05 Tuesday Cell: 01-580 4411. The subject today is weddings. With Sentra Boler of Bridge magazine 18.00 News; From Our Own

Correspondent.

10.30 Morning Story: "Tanks for the Memory" by Ian campbell. Read by Ian Agnew.

10.45 Daily service.

11.00 News, Trevel; Thirty Minute Theory. "The Purple Sult" by Robert McFarlane, With Jonathar Weisen and Kirsty Millertiff.

Valson and Kirsty Millert(r).

Wildlife. News; You and Yours. Consumer

certainly doesn't enlist the viewer's sympathy. Beautifully played by the striking Eleanor Bron. Camilla gives the impression of being a spollt chik rather than an adult mother. and eventually assaulted one of the Comfortably off, with a successful husband, she mopes around cultivating a middle-age crisis that barnuses her husband and

in vain to gain access to her children, but the court refuses permission. The second

campaigning for a re-trial. Something, certainly from the evidence of the documentary, that

stealing mother, Laura. T. P. McKenna completes the starstudded cast as the libidinous Liam,

7.20 Medicine Now. A report on the health of medical care.
7.50 File On 4.
8.20 Shanghei Morning. The Christians begin again in China'. Rosemary Hartill looks at the church in China. Ten years ago, it was suffering badly, but 1,500 churches have now been recessed.

18.05 In Touch. Magazine for the visuelly handicapped.

9.30 In My Young Days. Recollections by Suphen Humphries of working-class childhood. Tonight: schooldays.

9.46 Kaleidosope. Includes the Pre-Raphaeite exhibition at the Tate.

10.15 A Book At Bedtime: "Inish Journal" by Helmich Boll (2). Read by John Rowe.

10.30 The World Tonight.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parlament.

12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15

12.00 News; You are reconstructed advice.

12.27 Legal Decent, Honest and Truthful. Comedy series about an advertising agency.1. 12.55

Weather: Programme news.

1.60 The World at One: News.

1.40 The Archers, 1.55 Shipping forecast.

Woman's Hour, Safy

1.00 News: Woman's Hour. Sally Feldman on sugar, and the role it has played in our cultural history.
2.00 News: Afternoon Theatre: "Plain Jane and the Joker" by Alam England. With Bernard Gallegher. A man plans a Transactional. Analysis holdayf.
4.00 News; Just After Four. Lys de Bray in the winter garden.
4.10 The Boet People - All at Sar?
John Forsyth asks whether the humanizarian settlement policy for the 18,000 Vietnamese boat people who came to Britain, is jurning sour.

turning sour.
4.40 Story Time: Vers' by Bizabeth
Von Amium (7). Read by June Barrie, 5.00 PM: News magazine 5.50 Shipping forecast, 5.55 Westher;

Programme news. 6.00 The six O'Clock News; Financial Report.
6.30 Don't Stop Now – It's Fundation.
A non-stop caberet show!(r). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers.

BBC 1 Weles: 9.25am-9.55 Lileboat.
12.57pm-1.00 News of Wales headlines. 3.43-3.50 News of Wales headlines. 5.55 Wales Today. 12.05am News and weather. Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scotlah News. 6.55 Scotland: Skty Minutes. 12.05am News and weather. Northern Ireland News. 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Score Around Skt. 12.05am News and weather. England: 5.55pm Regional news magazines. 12.10am Close.

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3.30 Motor Show. 4.00 Union World.
4.25 Mary Tyler Moore Show. 4.55
Pictives Bach. 5.05 Billdowcar. 5.30
Rack Revers. 6.30 No Problem 7.00 Buck Rogers, 6.30 No Problemi 7.00 Newyddion Seith, 7.20 Cefn Gwlad, 8. Einor, 8.35 Y Byd ar Bedwar, 8.25 St Elsewhers, 10.25 Envert 10.55 Elsewhert Hour, 12.05am Closedown,

regard to nuclear power. His searches reveal blackman, murder and a megalomaniac's plan to dominate the world.

Directed by Robert Day.

12.05 News headlines and weather.

13.06 Levicas Main. Episode three of the art world.

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14.07 Open University: Calculus:

The Binomial Theorem; 12.10

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ON THE EDGE (BBC1 9.25 pm),

surprises her eccentric mother. A

tearful encounter with her former lover, a florid Irishman, seems to

bring her to her senses somethow, something to feel glad about if only for the sake of her long-suffering

husband, Gary Raymond plays the anguished husband, Michael, with

commendable restraint with Rosali Crutchley as Camilla's lobster-

12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 Shipping Forecast. 12.23-12.28 The Chip Shop with Barry

The Chip Shop with Barry Norman. England VHF with 1f above except: 6.25-6.30 cm Weather: Travel. 10.45-12.00 For Schools: 10.45 The Song Tree. 11.00 Time and Tune. 11.20 Time to Move. 11.40 Listen and Read. 11.55 Reading Music. 1.55 Listering Corner. 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 History: Not So Long Ago. 2.20 Introducing Science Extra: Junior Bectronics. 2.40 Pictures in Your Mind (stories). 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00 Study On 4: The Chip Shop with Barry Norman. 11.30-12.00 Open University: 11.30 Open Forum: Students' Magazine. 11.50 Music Interlude. 12.30-1.10 Schools Night-time Broadcasting: 12.30

Night-time Broadcasting: 12.30 Lifetime: Divorce in a Family. 12.50 Lifetime: A Handicapped child in a Family.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, 7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: part one.
Stravinsky's Concerto in D for
string orch; Bach's Brandenberg
Conc No 4; Vaughan Williams's
The Vagabond: Let beauty swalk
(Songs of Travel) sung by John
Shirley-Quiric; and Rubbra's improvisations on Virginal Piece by Glas Farnaby.18.00 News.

Strige, Moeran, Parry, Stanford, Vaughan Williams and Holst.
There is an interval reading at 10.15.
11.15 News. Until 11.18.
Medium Frequency: medium wave: 7.30-11.40 am Cricket:

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

ANGLIA As London except: 12.30pm Gardens for Al. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.30-9.00 That's Hollywood. 6.00 About Anglis. 6.40 Croseroads. 7.05 Bygones Special. Crestroads, 7.05 Bygonas Special, 7.35-9.00 Film: Call to Dangar, Thriller 11.30 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace\*, 12.40am Tuesday Topic, Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except:
12.30pm-1.00 Crown
Court. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.00 Miracies
take Longer. 2.30 Agaths Christie Hour.
3.30-4.96 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.46 Mr
and Mrs. 6.00 Crossroeds. 6.25 News.
7.05 Emmerdele Farm. 7.35-9.00 Film:
Call to Denger (Peter Graves), 11.30
Quentin E Deverill. 12.30em Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.30-3.30 We'll Meet Again. 5.15-6.45 Jourie Loves Checht. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.40 Crossroads. 7.05 Emmerdale Farm. 7.35-9.00 Call to Danger. 11.30 Brass in Concert. 12.15am News, Closedown:

HTV WALES As HTV West except 8.00pm-6.40 Wales

TSW As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Mr and Mrs. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.30-3.30 Agatha Christie Hour. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.25 Televiews. 6.35 Vintage Quiz. 7.05 Mr Smith. 7.35-9.00 Firm: Call to Danger. During. 1.30 Timelana.) and 12.25 Thriller, 11,30 Timeless Land, 12,26

HTV WEST As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 My Life. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.30-3.30 Trapper John. 5.15-5.45 Beverly Hilbstilles\* 6.00 News. 5.40 Crossroads. 7.05 Emmerdele Farm. 7.35-9.00 Call to Canger. Triliser. 11.30 Thin Lizzie Concert. 12.25em Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 9.20am-9.30 Day Ahead.
1.20pm-1.30 Lunchtime. 2.30 Paint;
Along With Nancy. 3.00-3.00 Nature of Things. 5.15-6.45 Mr and Mrs. 8:00.
Good Evening Ulster. 6:30 Cartoon. 6:40 Crossroads. 7.05 Emmerdale Farm.
7.35-9.00 Film: Call to Danger. Thriller.
11.30 News, Closedown.

8.85 Morning Concert: part two. MacCurin's overture Lord of the Mountain and Flood; Saint-Saens's Plano Conc No 4 (Peter First Test. Pakistan versus Ingland: commentary on the fourth day's play in Karachi.
VHF only: Open University. 8.25\* 5.55 Bias and Judgmant; 11.20 pm Irong and Torn Jones; 11.40-12.00 Artists and Antiquity. Saens's Plano Conc No.4 (Peter Donohoe/Peter Fowles/City of Birmingham SO), 18.00 News.

8.05 This Week's Composer: Hans Werner Henze. Christoph Eschenbach with London Phili Orch play the Plano Conc No 2.1

10.00 BBC Singers: works by Eigar, Vaughan Williams (Sweet Day), William Harris, Parry (My soul, there is a country) and Stantord (On time).1

10.30 Brahms: The LSO play the Serenaids in D. Op 11.1

11.20 French Songs: recital by John

11.20 French Songs: recital by John Elwes (tenor) with Clifford Benson as his accompanist.

Benson as his accompanist.
Works by Saint-Saens, Fauré,
and Dupart. The Fauré works
include his Après un rève, and Le
papillon et la fleur.†

12.15 Midday Concert: part one. BBC
Scottish SO, with Shella
Armstrong (soprano) Haydn's
Symph No 70; Mozzari's Concert
area Vado, ma dove? O Det, K
583; and Haydn's Caritata:
Berenica, che Fu?rit.00 News.

1.55 Midday Concert: part two.
Barroi's Hungarian Pictures; and
Kodely's Variations on an
Hungarian folk song (The
Peacock).†

1.59 habotetura de Leuto:
Christopher Wilson (flute)
performs works by Pettro Paulo
Borrono, Francesco da Mēlano,
Abert de Rippe, and Hans
Newsidier.†

2.15 Houston Symphony Orchestra:

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2.15 Houston Symphony Orchestra:
with Radu Lupu (plano). Salleri's
overture Axtır, re d'Ormus;
Mozart's Pano Conc No 18;
Ravel's La Valse; Pavane pour
une Infante défunie; Second set
of Symphonic Fragments:
Daphnis and Chice — all by
Ravel †

Ravel.1
3.40 Telement: Frans Bruggen and
Cusdro Hottetterre play the
Cusrtet in D Minor.1
4.00 Lesile Howard: plane recital of
Beethowen works. Minuet in E flat
WoO 82; Bafatelle in C WoO 56;
Klavierstuck in A minor, WoO 59;
Screets in B flat. On

Sonata in B flat, Op 106.14.55News. 5.00 Mainly for Peasure: Another of Roger Nichols's selections.† 6.30 The Mirror of Nancissus: Gothic Voices in songs by Guillaume de Machaut.† 7.00 The Green Knight: Dr Roger Pooley, of Keele University, pays tribute to George Gascolgne, the Elizabethan poet.

Elizabethan poet.

7.30 BBC Philharmonic Concert with Rudolf Firkusny (piano). Part one. Mozart's Serents Notiturna in D. K. 239; and Henze's Symph No 4.

8.16 Russian Service: John Shrapnel

reads the final part of Zinovy Zink's novel about a Moscow clerk who defects to London. 8.39 BBC Philhermonic Concert part

9.30 BBC Northern Singers: 30th

two. Brahms's Plano Concerto No 1.7

Birthday Concert. From the Queen Elizbeth Hall, in London. Conducted by Stephen Wilkinson with Keith Swallow at the plane.

Selections from Schumann, Comelius, Elizabeth Maconchy

TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News and Lookeround. 2.30-3.30 We'll Meet Again. 5.15-5.45 Looks Familiar Special. 6.00 News. 8.02 Crossroads. 8.25 Youthern Life: 7.05 Entimerdale Farm, 7.35-9.00 Film: Call to Danger (Peter Graves). 11.30 That's Hollywood. 12.00 Jesus, Light of the World, Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except
12.30pm-1.00 Mr and

wirs. 1,29-1.30 News. 2,30-3.30 Agatha Christie Hour. 5.15-5.45 Music Micro Mission. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30 Harbs for AJ. 7.00 Mr Smith. 7,30-6.00 Film: Call to Dangar. 11.30 Timeless Land. 12.25em Closedown.

Sonata in B flat, Op

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Radio 2

Edited by Peter Dear

News on the hour. Major Bulletins: 7.00 am, 8.00, 1.00 pm, 5.00 and 12.00 mighipit; News Headlines: 9.30 am, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30 (MF/AW): 4.00 am Bill Rennella. † 6.30 Rsy Moore † Inct. 6.02 Cricket. 73.0 Terry Wogen † Inct. 6.31 Racing Bulletin. 9.02 Cricket. 10.00 Jlmmy Young † Inct. 10.02; 11.02 Cricket. 12.00 pm Stave Jones † Incl. 12.02 Cricket. 12.00 Glorie Humiland † Incl. 2.02; 3.02 Sport. 3.30 Music all the way, † 4.00 David Humiliord f. Incl. 2.62; 3.02 Sport. 3.39 Music all the way. 1 4.00 bavid Hamilton f. Incl. 4.02; 5.05 Sport. 6.09 Paul Helneyf Incl. 6.02 Sport 6.46 Sport and Classified Results (Inf only). 8.00 The Golden Age of Hollywood (s) A history of the American movie (18) 1951-54. Spottight on the MGM musical. Narrated by James Mason. 9.00 Night. Owlet with Dave Gelly. 9.55 Sports. Dealt 10.00 Hubbert Grand. Second of 12. Owist with Dave Gelly, 2.55 Sports
Desk, 10.00 Hubert Gregg, Second of 12
programmes on special people in
entertainment, 2: Cole Porter (Part 2),
11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round
Midnight (stereo from midnight), 1.00em
Patrick Lunt presents Nightride, 1 incl.
3.00 Big Band Specialt incl 3.30-4.00

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Radio 1

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News on the helf-hour from 6.30em until 9.30pm and then at 12.06 midnight (MF/MW). 6.00em Adrian John. 7.90 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates, 11.30 Aftice Read. 9.00 Stmon Bates. 11.30 Radio 1 in East Anglia. Day 2: Today Mitte Smith and Peter Powell visit Kings Lym, Induding 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00pn Stave Wright. 4.30 Radio 1 in East Anglis, Induding 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 John Peetl VHF Radios 1 and 2: 4.00cm With Radio 2. 10.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00cm With Radio 2.

**WORLD SERVICE** 

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5.00 Newsdaek, 7.00 World News, 7.09
Tworty-Four Hours, 7.30 Classical Record
Review, 7.45 Network UK, 8.00 World News,
9.03 Reflections, 8.15 After Hours, 8.30 Thirty,
Muste Theetre, 9.00 World News, 9.00 Tested
of the British Press, 9.15 The World Tody,
9.30 Financial News, 9.40 Look Ahsaid, 6.55
Alests Korner's Rhythm and Blass, 10.50
Discovery, 10.30 A Night to Rismamber, 11.60
World News, 11.09 News About Strain, 11.15
Letter from London, 12.00 Facilio Newsreel12.15 Women of the World, 12.45 Sports
Roundup, 1.00 World News, 1.99 Twenty-Four
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Show, 2.30 Sharicot Holmes, 3.00 Twenty-Four
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Commentary, 4.15 Tabling About Music, 4.45
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Meridian, 3.00 World News, 8.00 Twenty-Four
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World Today, 11.25 Radio Newgreel, 12.30 A
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SCOTTISH As London except: Gaselc. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.30-3.00 That's my Boy. 5.10 Job Spot. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.35 What's Your Problem? 7.05 Take the High Road. 7.35-9.00 Film: Call to Danger. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Studio. 12.20 Closedown.

GRANADA As London except:
1,20pm Granada
Reports. 1,30-2,00 Exchange Plags,
2,30-3,00 Protectors. 5,15-5,45 HappyDays, 8,00 This is Your Right. 8,05
Crossroads. 6,36 Granada Reports,
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1.20 News. 1.30-2.00 Calendar. 3.00-3.30 Family Trees. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 8.00 Calendar. 6.40 Crossroads. 7.05 Emmerdate Farm. 7.35-9.00 Film: Call to Danger. Thriller. 11.39 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace. 12.35 Closedown.

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# 6% pay rise call for Civil Service

By David Felton in F Labour Correspondent A government survey of pay Tig increases for white-collar of workers is expected to show da that Civil Servants will need cc rises of about 6 per cent double the Government guidelines - to keep pace, according to union officials.

The survey, which is due to be completed later this month, is being conducted by the Office of Manpower Economics and will be used in this year's pay negotiations covering more than 500,000 white collar Civil

Unions leaders have started a campaign to alert their mem-bers to the likely outcome of the survey and they believe there will be strong resistance if the Government ignores its recommendations, in the wake of the GCHO affair.

The Society of Civil and Public Servants, the second largest Civil Service union. commissioned its own survey from the Labour Research Department which showed that pay rises for white collar staff in the period from 1st March to January had ranged between 4.5 per cent and 7.5 per cent.

However, they argue that the average falls between 5.5 per cent and 6 per cent and they excite that to edge towards the 6 per cent mark as January settlements in the financia sectors are taken into account.

The unions are also expected to argue that the bald examination of movements in pay rates does not give a full picture of carnings increases, and up to a further I per cent would be need to be added to take account of bonus earnings in private industry.

An agreement between the unions and the Treasury allows for the pay survey to be used in the pay negotiations "to inform but not constrain" and the unions are working on the basis that it will at least have an embarrassment value against the Government.

The unions survey shows a slight tailing off in the level of increases and officials expect the Treasury to emphasize that

The Government may also propose to the unions that an increase above the 3 per cent guideline could be available if there was agreement on savings in other areas, such as manpower cuts.

# Meeting trouble midway in the Gulf



The powerful American task force patrolling the Hormuz Straits between Iran and the Gulf States to honour President Reagan's promise to keep Middle East oil supplies flowing to the West has already had

several brushes with Iranian forces. The aircraft carrier Midway and its formidable escort (above) have patrolled up to 300 miles up the Gulf, more than half way to the Iranian oil island of Kharg, seeing

However, an outright take-

over could be blocked by the

Washington. Recently, Texaco bought Getty Oil for \$11,000m,

and another big deal could lead the Government to think that

the oil industry was falling into

Two other possibilities on the Gulf board's agenda would avoid such fears. One is a so-

called leveraged buyout, whe-

reby Gulf's own assets would be

used as collateral for loans, which Gulf's executives could

The other tactic would be for

Gulf to buy in its own stock. If,

as many analysts believe. Gulf's assets are worth con-

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off with tracer bullets and flares an Iranian reconnaissance aircraft that ventured too close. The task force has declared a "no-go" area of five miles round itself for both aircraft and ships, and the Midway has also

engaged in a running battle of words with an Iranian frigate which penetrated the zone.

However, in spite of Iranian threats to close the straits to all shipping, the oil is still flowing

#### Oil giant talks tactics in £10bn takeover fight

By William Kay, City Editor Trading in the stock of Gulf Oil was balted in New York yesterday morning as the board met to consider possible takeover bids of as much as \$15,000m (£10,000m). However, the meeting broke

up at lunchtime and dealings resumed at 1.40pm, local time. The price rose quickly by \$1.50

Gulf faces an unwanted approach from Mesa Pet-roleum, led by Mr T. Boone Pickens jr. The board has been considering other options, including a takeover by Atlantic Richfield, former owner of The Observer, which could create an oil, gas, coal and chemical group worth about \$30,000.

Other bids are reportedly being put together by Standard Oil of California (Socal) and

#### Miners' strike called over pit closures

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Mr MacGregor has a plan to close up to 70 pits. In view of the worsening situation in Yorkshire and the demands for action over the Lancashire pits, the NUM executive will be under strong pressure on Thursday to step up industrial action. Mr Scargill and his suporters have been

reluctant to do this because they believe the overtime ban is effective. The -recent statements from Mr MacGregor on the seriousness of the situation would seem to suggest that the action is beginning to bite into coal board finances and that there are fears of a boom in imports

of foreign coal to supply

Photograph, page 2

#### Thatcher show stays on the road, says Biffen

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"Of course they would find it reassuring to be out of the situation. We have had one or two highly-publicized problems. But I don't think there is any basic unease about the broad direction of economic policy.

Mr Biffin said that in the last Parliament. Mrs Margaret
Thatcher's brand of radical
Toryism had shifted the centre
ground of politics so far that the
Labour left would not be able to reverse or haul it back again. But he adds: "I don't think

the same sense of direction and commitment can easily be carried forward for a second parliament, though the broad thrust must be that of extending the economic policies of 1979-1983

"I think that the policies we now have simply have to be capable of being expressed in a

tone which is both evangelical and yet appealing to the deeply consolidate and preserve the factors that are congenial

We have the prospect of doing it against an economy which is in somewhat better shape, though nobody's going to get euphoric about it. But when you think what we did against a recessionary background, I am quite certain that the Thatcher show can be kept firmly on the Meanwhile, Whitehall moun-

ted a blanket defence, brushing aside criticism of a long list of issues from MP's pay and capital punishment through to GCHQ and energy prices. One Whitehall source said

that the Government had no intention of abdicating in favour of Fleet Street.

Oman silence, page 2

#### Letter from Tyre

## Business as usual for the militias

understand what is going on", says the notice in the office of Mr Timor Goksell, spokes-man for the 5,800-member United Nations force that has been struggling to keep the peace in southern Lebanon since 1978.

It is a salutary statement, borne out by the bewildering patchwork of local militias, some no bigger than a football team, that have sprung up since the 1982 invasion by Israel - whose subsequent pact with the Lebanese Governthe expulsion of the Palestine Liberation Organization, which had ruled with its own Organization, brand of gun law.

The atmosphere of unre-ality is reinforced by a way of life in which shops displaying the latest Paris fashions and vintage wines at knock-down prices are found amid build-ings still bearing the scars of modern warfare and suffering regular water and electricity breakdowns.

Nowhere is the confusion greater than in the former Phoenician port of Tyre, where one of the new militias now supported by Israel is led by a Muslim who used to enjoy officer status in the PLO, and where three or four coasters laden with contraband from Cyprus are regu-larly to be found outside the

Since access to Beirut was severely restricted by Israel's of the Awali River bridges, the range and volume of smuggled goods have increased greatly, and now include even the most sophisticated video recorders. The going price for a carton of 200 French cigarettes is just over

According to UN officers (whose area does not include Tyre or its 35,000 predominantly Muslim inhabitants), the man selected by the Israelis to run the harbour is the same one chosen in earlier days by the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, whose gunmen used to hold sway in the heavily bombed port area. The dues extracted from the smugglers finance the militias, which appear to be the most flourishing local business.

The militiamen approved by the Israelis carry cards permitting them to hold their deadly assortment of personal weapons and are paid about £130 a month. They are

grouped under the broad title of "The National Guard" and are designed to resist any attempts by PLO men to

return.
UN officers are sceptical about whether the new Muslim militias around Tyre would hold together if the Israelis left. "What they are doing is basically a business. It is primarily a matter of economics", one officer said.

On the outskirts of the city. the spot where the Israeli security headquarters was destroyed by a suicide bomber last November is now ringed by a wall of earth some 30ft high, behind which the tops of some army tents are just visible. With good reason, all Israeli troops in the region - a favourite ambush spot - look nervous and trigger-happy, their non-tracked vehicles usually being driven at break. neck speed.

The Levantine spirit of the residents - most of whom say they want to be allowed to get on with business without outside interference - is seen at the incongruously named Elissa Beach Club.

It was reopened by its owner, Mr Mustapha Arab, soon after the Israeli invasion having been closed since 1976 because of PLO threats. Last vear, its restaurant overlooking the Mediterranean was expanded to increase the scating to 500, and a regular Saturday night dance instituted.

But the investment appears to have been in vain: during my stay only one table in the cavernous restaurant was occupied, and the only other guest was a man from The Daily Telegraph.

Mr Arab, who looks older than his 33 years, spoke optimistically of plans to install an international telephone line - but his finances do not even run to a change of sheets or towels between guests. A member of Amai, the Shia Muslim militia, assured us that his men would permit the consumption of alcohol to continue at the well-stocked but deserted bar. "The breaking of bottles in

the Commodore Hotel in West Beirut was a mistake we have already corrected internally", he explained with a look which left little room for doubt about the fate of the individual militiamen

Christopher Walker

#### THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

#### Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen holds an Investiture at Buckingham Palace, 11.
The Prince and Princess of Wales attend a dinner given by the Jewish Welfare Board to mark the 125th Anniversary of its foundation at the

Guildhall, London, 7.40.
Princess Anne, visits the Red Cross camp for disabled people at Pontins Holiday Camp, Weymouth, Dorset, 12.15; and later visits the new Royal British Legion Head-quarters in Dorchester, Dorset, 2.20. New exhibition

Eury Stevens' paintings: Mu-seum & Art Gallery, The Green, Stafford; Tues to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 4 (closed Sun and Mon; ends April 21).

Last chance to see

of screen prints and lino cuts, Tunbridge Wells Art Gallery, Civic Centre, Mount Pleasant, Tunbridge Wells; Mon to Pri 10 to 5.30 (ends today).

Music

#### Ensemble, Reardon Smrth Lecure Theatre, Park Place, Cardiff, 7.30. Recital by the Classical Piano Trio. University Hall, Bath, 1.35. Piano recital by Joanna Leach, Chichester Cathedral, Chichester,

Concert by the Balby Carr Wind Band, Bentley Methodist Church, Doncaster, 7,30. Printmakers Circle, an exhibition Concert by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and Bournemouth Sinfonietta, Winter Gardens, Bournemonth, 7.30.

Concert by the University

Organ recital by Ronald Frost, St. Ann's Church, Manchester, 12,45. Talks, lectures Chemistry with chips by Pro-fessor A. K. Covington, Chemistry Lecture Room B. 4.20; Urban The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,371 opography and environment in the Roman world by Professor J. S. Wache, Bennett Lecture Theatre I. 5.15, both at the University of

> Diderot in Retrospect by Professor Robert Niklaus, Elvet Riverside Lecture Rooms, New Elvet, 5.30; Dynamic Landscapes by Dr Chris Baines. Scarbrough Lecture Theatre. Dept of Chemistry, Science Laboratories, 7.15, both at University of Durham, Durham

eirester. Leicester.

City.

Early Medieval Ivories and Romanesque Art by Professor Peter Lasko. University of Bristol Perry Art Lectures, Reception Room, Wills Memorial Building, Queens Road, Bristol, 5.15.

General The Great St Nicholas Pantake Race, Churchyard, Parish Church, Pierhead, Liverpool, 12.30.

Exhibitions in progress Recent paintings, drawings and collages by Lys Hansen: "Cover Story": artwork from the Women's Press: Theatre Graphics by Richard Bird; all at Third Eye Centre, 350 Sauciehall Street, Glasgow; Tues to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2 to 5.30 (ends

March 9).
The artist and the Castle, Newport Museum and Art Gallery, John Frost Square, Newport, Gwent; Mon to Thurs 10 to 5.30, Fri

Etchings by Bevis Sale; Prescot Museum, 34 Church Street, Prescot, Lancashire; Tues to Sat 10 to 5

#### Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on Expenditure White Paper.

Lords (2.30): Housing and Building Control Bill, committee,

#### National Day

The West African state of Ghana today celebrates the twenty-seventh anniversary of its independence from Britain. On March 6, 1957, Ghana became the first British colony in Africa to attain full independence under the leadership of Dr Kwame Nkrumak, who later

#### **Bond winners**

winning number in the for a £250,000 Premium Bond prize is: 16KS 327983 (the winner comes from

#### TV top ten

Vational top ten television programmes in the week ending February 26:

Coronation Sereet (Wed), 17.25 Coronation Street (Mon), 16.10 The A-Team, ITV, 15.80 3-2-1, Yorkshire, 15.45 Child's Pisy, LWT, 15.30 Duty Free, Yorkshire, 15.00 This is Your Lite, Tharnes, 15.00 Wish You Were Here, Thanes, 14.75 Misder, Tharnes, 14.70 The Other 'Ari, Central, 14.05

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That's Lite, 10.75
Wogan, 10.65
The Uveng Planet, 10.60
Holiday, 10.45
Datrict Nurse, 10.40
Nine O'Clock News (Thu), 10.30
Diane, 9.90
Erilish Rock & Pop Awards, 9.70
Top of the Pops, 9.70

Alas Smith & Jones, 5.40
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• Your Life in Their Hands, 4.20
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Leo, 3.95
M.A.S.H., 3.80
Geoffrey Smith's World of Flowers, 3.75
Dear Ladies, 3.50
My Brillant Career, 3.40

Cherniel 4 Brookside (1989), 2,50 Cheers, 2,80 Brookside (1989), 2,60 A 80y in the Bush, 2,35 The Incredible Sarah, 2,20 Rage in Herven, 2,20 The Lady is a Tramp, 2,10 St Bleemhere, 2,0 Tennis: Davis Cup (Sun, 14,00), 1 95

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#### Roads

Midlands: A427:Traffic signals on Market Harborough - Lutter-worth road at Lubenham, Leicestershire. A449: Traffic signals on Worcester - Malvern road, near Powick. A45: Roadworks on Coventry - Daventry road at Fosse Crossing, Warwickshire. North: A61: Marsh Way. Nor-

thgate. Wakefield, narrows at junction of Marsh Way. Northgate roundabout, West Yorkshire, A534; Single lane traffic in Orwer Road, Winterley, Sandbach; traffic lights, delays. A689: Investigation into bridge structure at Cowshill Bridge co Durham; temporary lights.

Wales and West: A381/A385: Temporary traffic lights at Brutus Bridge, Bridgetown Hill, Totnes, M4: Lane closures for bridge inspection and repairs between junction 21 and junction 22 across Severn Bridge; both carriageways affected, also off-peak overnight closure. A55: Temporary signals on Bangor - Colwyn road at Conway, Gwynedd. Scotland: M47/M73:Lighting

column installation on the slip roads to and from the M73 at junction 6/1; intermittent lane closures. A94: Single lane traffic with lights between Meigle and Coupar, Angus.

Information supplied by AA

#### Anniversaries

Births: Michelangelo, Caprese, Italy, 1475; Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Durham, 1806; Deaths: Francis Beaumont, dramatist (with John Fletcher), London, 1616; Louisa May Alcott, author of Little Boston, Massachusatte, 15 annur. Roston, Massachusatte. Women. Boston, Massachusetts, 1888; Gottlieb Daimler, pioneer of motor cars. Cannstat, Germany, 1900; John Redmond, Irish nationalist. London, 1918; John Philip Sousa, bandmaster and composer of military music, Reading Pennsylvania. 1932.

#### The papers

See how Senator Garry Hart is sey in the American Democratic y primary elections, the Daily says. Twice now, Mondale, ner Vice-President to Jimmy ter and the man with trade on backing, has been beaten by t-last week in New Hampshire, in Maine. That has to make the first favourite to run against ald Reagan in November - ever igh there are plenty of states still vote before the nomination vention in July. It is often said only a rich man can afford to for President in America. Men Watter Mondale command e campaign funds. Yet Garry is not a wealthy man, nor did start the race with big cash

he Daily Mirror points out that ough Whitehall has recently carried out a secret inquiry into the progress being made towards open government, full details won't be disclosed until January 1, 2014. It Minister that would be funny. As a

#### Weather

An anticyclone will be slow moving near SW Britain with weak troughs near north Scotland and SE England.

#### 6am to midnight

London, SE, central S England, E, W Midlands: Sunny Intervals. Mainly dry; wind variable light: max temp 11-13C (52-55F).
East Anglis, E, central N England:
Cloudy, a little drizzle in places at first,
suny intervals later: wind W light: max
temp 10-12C (50-54F).
Channel Islands, SW, NW England,
S, N, Wales: Mainly cloudy, a little
drizzle in places, some bright intervals;
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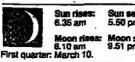
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NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundes, Aberdeen: Sunny periods, mainly dry; wind moderate or fresh; max temp 10-12C (50-54F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scottand: Cloudy, occasional rain and drizzle; wind W fresh or strong, locally gale in exposed places; max temp 8C (45-46F). Orloney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, scattered showers; wind W strong locally gale; max temp 7C (45F).

Outlook for tomerow and Thursday: Mostly dry with sunny intervals; cloudy at times in E with occasional rain, perhaps turning to sleet later in SE. Near or above normal, becoming colder in N and E.

of Dover: Wind NW mainly light; sea smooth. English Channel (E): Wind variable or light northerly; sea smooth. St George's Channel, Irist Sea: Wind variable and light; sea smooth.



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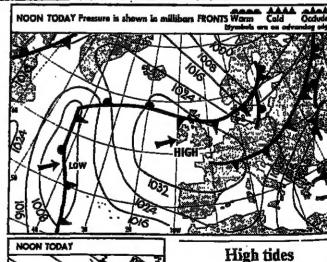
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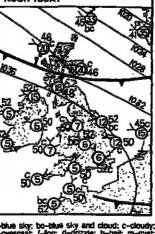
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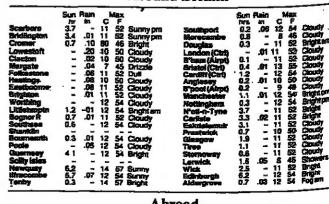
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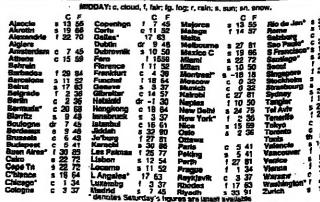
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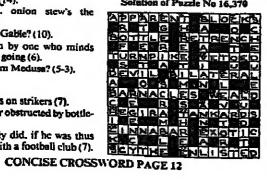


#### Abroad



1 Rains blows on strikers (7). 2 Timekeeper obstructed by bottle-

3 He probably did. if he was thus involved with a football club (7).



4 Having made a slam, he is given

5 Being in two minds, Tom takes a

6 Careless, losing midwinter dress

12 Perhaps Gray's going on to ring

14 He makes a great fist at pipe-

16 Boy called twice with a bit of

17 Opening to a passage in Orpheus

Agreement about form of sonner

20 Dress lazily without bending (7).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,370

in the Underworld? (7).

the money (7).

ing-gown (7).

7 Bucolic, perhaps,

the landlord (9).

18 Carrier blows up (7).

work (3-6).

well-versed in this (7).